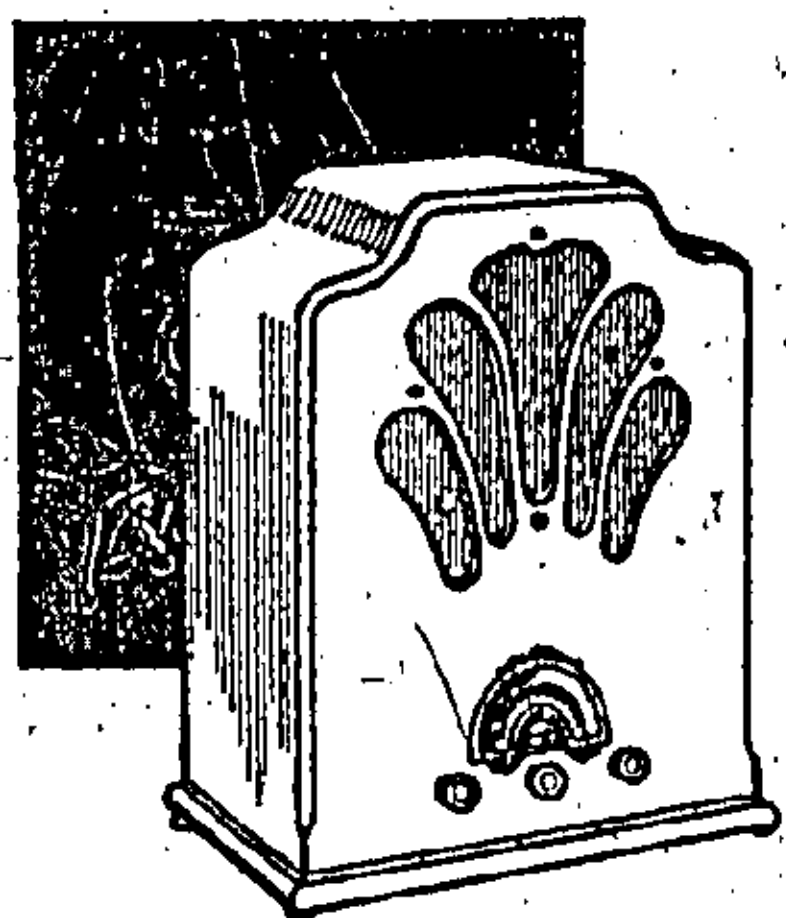




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SHANGHAI CHINESE URGE ARMED RESISTANCE AGAINST JAPAN

FOREIGN STUDENTS IN BRITAIN

London University Has 2,387.

INDIANS PREDOMINATE.

London, To-day.

At the beginning of the new University term, a census shows that there are 2,387 foreign students in the various colleges of the London University. They come from 61 countries.

Oxford has only 472 foreigners and Cambridge 471, while at Edinburgh University there are 475.

The largest contingent of London's foreign students comes from India, and this term they number 728. Five hundred of them are studying medicine, economics and engineering.

Of 232 students from South Africa, a considerable number are taking tropical medicine at the London School of Hygiene. The eminence which London enjoys as a medical centre is indicated by the fact that 596 students from European countries are taking a course in the London hospitals.

Of 700 foreign women students in the British universities, nearly 600 are in the London University, India having the largest representation. — British Wireless Service.

BURNING LINER CONTROLLED.

L'Atlantique Bound For Cherbourg.

Paris, To-day.

The still burning hull of the French liner, "L'Atlantique," is now being towed to Cherbourg, but is not expected to reach there until late to-night.

After tugs had grappled the liner yesterday, a start was made for Havre, and at 11 a.m. the same day, they were still 65 miles from the port. Towing was made difficult owing to a heavy list in the half waterlogged hull.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a careless smoker, or a short circuit in a cabin where 30 mattresses were stored.

Slow Progress.

Owing to threatening weather and the condition of the tide the "Atlantique" is being towed to Cherbourg instead of Havre.

Progress is slow and yesterday afternoon it was expected she would reach her destination late at night. Her Commander, Captain Schoof, yesterday boarded the liner, which is still smouldering. — Reuter and British Wireless Service.

NEW OFFICIAL FOR CANTON.

Mr. Kan Arrives Here On Monday.

Mr. Kan Kai-han, who was recently appointed by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs to succeed the late Mr. Chu Chao-hsin as inspecting Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for the South-western Provinces, left Shanghai this morning by the a.s. President Wilson.

Mr. Kan who is due to arrive on January 9, will stay in Hong Kong for a day, before proceeding to take up his post at Canton.



M. Doumergue, Ex-President of the French Republic, was guest of honour at a dinner arranged by the United Associations of Great Britain and France, at Claridge's Hotel, London, Dec. 1st. At the reception—Group includes Marchioness and Marquess of Crewe, M. Doumergue, Lord Derby, Madame Doumergue and M. de Fleuriau, the French Ambassador. (S. & G.)

BRITISH MUSEUM'S BIG TASK

Library Catalogue Compilation.

165 VOLUMES TO COST £400.

London, To-day.

A new catalogue is being prepared of the 4,000,000 books accommodated on the 55 miles of shelves in the famous library of the British Museum.

It is 53 years since the compilation of the existing catalogue was begun and the preparation of that work occupied the staff for 25 years. It is anticipated that the present work will also be spread over a very long period.

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The catalogue, when complete, will be in about 165 volumes. It will cost £400 and will be an essential possession of all the important libraries throughout the world. Financially, the work is self-supporting. — British Wireless Service.

DOLLAR AGAIN UNSTEADY.

Drops After Silver Decline.

The value of the local dollar fell 1/2 being quoted at 1/3 1/2 this morning.

Spot silver quoted at 16 1/2 yesterday, was given at 16 1/2 to-day, while forward silver opened at 16 3/4, as compared with 16 15/16 yesterday.

The London on New York cross rate opened this morning at £G\$3.34, showing a rise of 1/2, and the New York on London rate is given at £G\$3.34 1/2.

CHINESE MINISTER TO U.S.

Dr. Sze Succeeds Dr. W. W. Yen.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Nanking, To-day.

Dr. Alfred Sze, formerly minister to Great Britain, has been appointed to succeed Dr. W. W. Yen as minister to the United States, according to a message circulated yesterday.

Dr. Sze has held many important offices in the Chinese Government, and was China's delegate at the League of Nations Assembly and concurrently representative on the League Council, in 1921.

CONTROL OF OPIUM SMOKING

London, To-day.

The agreement signed at Bangkok on November 27 for the control of opium smoking in the Far East has been issued.

A white paper points out that the agreement has not been ratified by Britain, while India made a proviso that it should not apply until the present Shan States agreement comes into force 19 days after the receipt of the last ratification by the League of Nations. — Reuter.

CRANWELL TO CAPE FLIGHT

Flight-Lt. Nicholetts As Substitute.

START IN FEBRUARY.

London, To-day.

Flight-Lieutenant Nicholetts has been selected as second pilot and navigator for the Royal Air Force long-distance, non-stop flight from Cranwell to the Cape, in place of Flight-Lieutenant Bett, who is ill.

Nicholetts has been posted to Cranwell to receive the necessary training in readiness for the attempt, which will commence on the first suitable day between February 5 and February 12. — British Wireless Service.

CAPT. CHAMPKIN RESIGNS.

The resignation by Captain C. Champkin of his Commission in the Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, has been accepted by H. E. the Governor.

China's Wheat Market Contemplated By Canada

Calgary.

With the object of expanding the market for Canadian wheat in the Orient, a special wheat expert will likely be sent in the near future to Japan and China. The premiers of the three prairie provinces of Canada, the main grain producing sections of the country, have been giving favourable consideration to the despatch of the wheat expert to the Orient.

BRITAIN'S SYMPATHY FOR COOLIDGE FAMILY.

King Sends Condolences To Ex-President's Relatives.

London, To-day.

The death yesterday of ex-President Calvin Coolidge is mourned in Britain. The King sent the following message to Mrs. Coolidge: "The Queen and I are deeply sorry to learn of your tragic, unexpected bereavement, and hasten to assure you of our profound sympathy with you and your family in your irreparable loss. — British Wireless Service."

BUYERS MORE AGGRESSIVE IN NEW YORK

Trading Recovery Hopes Better.

SLIGHT MARKET MOVEMENT.

New York, To-day.

The New York Market sponsorship on the buying side appears to be a little more aggressive, reports Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Company. News is still needed to stimulate outside buying, but chances of a further extension of the trading recovery appear to be better than ever.

Industrials, rails, utilities and bonds all showed an upward trend, rails rising as much as 1.29.

Business done was fair, only 1,140,000 shares changing hands. — Reuter.

MASSAGE SHOPS RAIDED.

Nineteen Women Now In Custody.

MAY BE BANISHED.

Following complaints that the establishments were being used for other purposes than advertised, Police last night carried out raids on massage shops in Queen's Road. They raided the eastern, central and western districts, and took into custody about 19 Chinese girls, a few of whom were Koreans.

The raid was conducted by four A.S.P.s, two sub-inspectors, and a number of European detectives of the C.I.D., acting under the Women and Girls' Ordinance.

A Police van conveyed the women up to Central Police Station. This morning, they were interrogated and did not appear in the Police Court, but it is understood that they will be banished from the Colony.

In their raid last night, Police also caught a number of street "touts."

The appointment of Mr. W. Elliott to be an Assistant Inspector of Labour, Factories and Workshops, with effect from January 1, has been gazetted.

SUB GRIFFINS DRAWN AT THE VALLEY

Messrs. Li And Woo Fortunate.

MR. L. DUNBAR UNLUCKY.

(By Rapter).

MR. LI SHIU-PANG was very fortunate to draw No. 148 in the draw for the new Subscription Griffins at the Jockey Club yesterday evening. The pony is considered the best of the second batch of subs. sent down by Mr. Mordohvitch.

Mr. Woo Lai-tin drew 157, the nearest rival to 146, and of the two it looked the fitter pony. Mr. Mok Hing-wing was fortunate to draw 160, as I feel sure this pony has a bright future ahead of him.

Mr. L. Dunbar, the leading owner for the year 1932, was unfortunate not to draw a pony in a batch which revealed more than usual talent.

The following was the draw:—

Stable	Pony No.
A. A. R. B.	140
Bridge	167
Miss Chan Yuen-sun	164
Dr. S. N. Chau	132
Chau & Chau	155
Choy Wing-hai	130
Y. T. Fung	166
Guilo	181
F. C. Hall	156
Harhar	163
Kong E-suen	167
Kong Siu-luey	139
Lewis & Tinson	151
Li Lan-sang	169
Li Po-chun	159
Li Shiu-pang	146
Mrs. Liang Hau-yuen	143
Lowcock & Lee	165
Nimop	147
Parkson Chan	177
Rain	187
Rita	158
D. E. Sassoon & Miss Fearon	162
Seth	148
Mrs. A. M. L. Soares	134
Sturt & Lobel	135
Tang Man-wa	141
Widdcombe	136
Tester & Abraham	142
Wong Ping-shun	153
Dr. S. To Wong	154
Woo Lai-tin	157
Bellamy & Gordon	149
L. T. F.	145
Mok Hing-wing	160
Samson	133
Sello	150

NEW GOVERNOR FOR PUNJAB.

Mr. H. E. Emerson Assumes Office In April.

London, To-day.

H.M. the King has approved the appointment of Mr. Herbert William Emerson, who since 1930, has been Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, as Governor of Punjab in succession to Sir Geoffrey de Montmorency, when the latter resigns his appointment for reasons of health in April next.

His Majesty has appointed Mr. Emerson, Knight Commander of the Order of the Star of India, on his appointment as Governor of Punjab. — British Wireless Service.



"Tommy's" new rig-out. The lighter and more comfortable uniform and equipment which has been proposed for the British troops. An article on the new uniform appears on page 3.

Persia May Get U.S. Oil Experts

"Mussolini" Dismissed.

Teheran, Persia.

Political leaders told the United Press that Persia's cancellation of the Anglo-Persian oil concession was intended to give Persia a just share in her own natural resources, and that no rival companies were involved.

However, it was reported without confirmation that the Persian legation in Washington will be instructed to seek American oil experts as advisers in event Persia obtains control of her own oil.

Britain has declared intention of taking the case to the League of Nations or the Hague Court unless Persia settles satisfactorily.

The Shah dismissed Abdul Husseini Kahn Teymourat, powerful dignitary known as the "Mussolini of Persia," because of differences over the oil concession dispute. — U.P.

"NOT A MATTER FOR LEAGUE."

Teheran, To-day.

The Minister of Justice, before leaving for Geneva as head of the Persian Delegation for the oil dispute, declared that the cancellation of the D'Arcy Concession was an internal matter which the League was not entitled to discuss.

In the event of the re-opening of negotiations for a new concession, Persia will insist that Teheran be the venue. — Reuter.

JURY SERVICE REMINDER.

A notification appearing in the Government Gazette states that persons, firms and companies who have failed to comply with the notices issued on December 15 last calling for particulars of persons qualified for jury service are requested to make the necessary returns forthwith, and are reminded that a penalty of \$100 may be imposed for default.

WARLIKE PETITIONS TO NANKING

Northern Warlords May Rally To Defence.

JAPANESE INACTIVITY AT SHANHAIKUAN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day. Indignation is increasing in Shanghai and Nanking against the latest act of Japanese aggression and numerous petitions urging the Government to take definite action are being prepared.

The threat of a Japanese invasion of North China, and Peiping's danger now that Shanhaikuan is a base for Japanese troops, have roused China to a realisation of the menace from Japan.

The attitude of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang has drawn considerable criticism and there is a growing feeling in Shanghai that armed resistance should be made. There is much speculation on the course of action General Chiang Kai-shek will adopt.

It is stated that many of the Northern war lords will be prepared to support him in a counter attack.

The situation remains unchanged at Shanhaikuan but it is reported that Japanese are being reinforced, and Chinese officials are extremely suspicious of the present Japanese inactivity.

Meanwhile the Nanking Government has done little but to send vigorous protests to Tokyo and to Geneva.

Leaders Confer.

Nanking, To-day.

Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang's Chief of Staff and personal representative, General Pao Wen-yuen, is arriving in Nanking this morning from Peking to report to General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Lo Wen-kan, General Ho Yin-ching and other Government leaders on the situation in North China, especially relating to the Shanhaikuan hostilities, as well as the defence of Jehol Province.

While General Chiang Kai-shek's definite plans have not yet been announced, it is learned that as soon as the Generalissimo enters the capital this morning he will confer with Mr. Lo Wen-kan, the Foreign Minister, concerning the Shanhaikuan situation.

The Government has also received a lengthy telegram from Tang Yulin, Chairman of the Jehol Government, in which Tang stated that he is personally inspecting the border defences of Jehol, in preparation for the forthcoming Japanese invasion. He submitted detailed plans for the defence of the Province for the examination of the Government authorities. — Reuter.

Hsu Offers To Fight.

Nanking, To-day.

Many commanders are petitioning the Government for mobilisation orders, so that their troops can take up arms against the Japanese. General Hsu Yuan-chuan, Commander of the XV Route Army, has telegraphed to General Chiang Kai-shek and Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, announcing his willingness to take up arms against the Japanese. — Reuter.



The Woman's Page



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HUSBANDS AND HOBBIES.

Occupation Tends To Good - Temper.

Some women are never satisfied. I heard recently of a mother who complained and nagged because her twenty-two-year old son, one of a family part of four on holiday, preferred fishing all day to dashing about the country in a car with the other three. She said he was unsociable, selfish and so on, writes Violet Diemore.

Many women are like that. They oppose on principle, a man's hobbies and recreations. "He spends hours in the dark room with his silly snapshots, when he might be taking me to the talkies," says one woman. "I might be a widow for all I see of my husband at weekends; he's golf-mad," says another. "Here I am, stuck in the house all day and all he does when he comes home is to tinker with the wireless," says a third.

The fact is, some women do not know when they are well off. A man with a hobby is usually one of the most reliable of mortals and one of the best-tempered. A hobby takes his mind off the worries of the day, and, if he happens to be rather good at it, restores to him the self-esteem, part of which has been lost during the day in the course of verbal encounters with the Chief or ill-mannered clients. Just Jealousy.

A queer sort of jealousy is at the root of many a woman's antagonism towards a man's hobby. It irks her to see that a man can be so happy without her ministrations, that at time he can actually prefer a mashie or a spanner or a collection of grubby old stamps, to her own adorable company.

But men are like that. The most domestic of them have moods when they desire nothing so much as to get away from women.

Scarcely a man breathes who does not appreciate a "den" of his own. And if there is no room to spare for this purpose in the house, then the poor man should be allowed to build a little workshop adjoining the house.

Never mind if he spoils the look of that eminently desirable residence. A man who is free to be a little boy whenever he likes and retire into his "den" at will, is a better possession than perfect architectural symmetry.



Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

THIRN.

Fried Sole au Citron
Devilled Outlets
Green Beans au bacon
Riz au chou
Apple Tapioca

Dinner.

Curried Vegetable Soup
Stuffed Shoulder of Veal
Potatoes maitre d'hotel
Cauliflower au beurre noir
Jellied Fruits

When making jellies and moulds a ring mould is most useful, as it allows one to combine one or two different substances most daintily. For instance a fruit jelly made in circular form may have the hollow centre piled with whipped cream or custard, according to the depth of your housekeeping allowance. A pineapple jelly may be made of the juice and fitted into the ring, turned out and the centre piled with the cut fruit.

Small individual moulds are obtainable in fancy shapes, clubs, hearts, diamonds and spades, which are very attractive for afternoon teas.

Devilled Chops.

Make a devil paste by mixing a teaspoon of French mustard with 1" of English mustard, 2 oz. of butter and pepper; split open the required number of chops and spread the paste in the slit. Close and grill over a clear flame. Serve with mustard or chutney.

Riz Au Chou (Rice and Cabbage). Cook a young cabbage and some rice separately; drain both and chop the cabbage. Melt an ounce of butter in a saucepan and fry a chopped onion therein; add the cabbage and rice, when quite hot, add

a couple of tablespoons of grated cheese and a little milk to moisten. Season well and pile on a dish sprinkled with coralline pepper.

Curried Vegetable Soup.

Fry a large onion and 2 apples chopped in 1½ oz. butter; add a tablespoon of curry powder and mix well. Then add a cut up carrot, turnip, 2 leeks and a stick of celery. Toss a while, then add 2 oz. of rice, a tablespoon of vinegar, 2 quarts of a stock, salt, pepper and a bouquet garni (herbs). Simmer 2 hours until the vegetables are soft. Press through a sieve into a fresh pan and add a squeeze of lemon.

USEFUL HINTS FOR THE KITCHEN.

Keeping Woodwork White.

After scrubbing white woodwork in the kitchen with hot water and soap, always finish with cold water. This prevents the wood turning yellow, and also hardens it.

Fruit cooked in a casserole in the oven has a better flavour than stewed fruit, and is more economical if the rest of the meal is also being cooked in the oven. Put the fruit in the casserole, cover lightly and leave without raising the lid for 40 minutes. Slice apples first or soak dried fruit overnight.

Hair brushes should be washed in cold water to which a little ammonia has been added.

When using vinegar for pickling, place a small piece of horseradish in the jar. If this method is adopted there will be no danger of the vinegar losing its strength.

Directly the meat arrives from the butcher's during the summer months, rub it over with vinegar. This will prevent flies touching it, and will also make it more tender. Meat in summer is inclined to be tough, because it cannot be kept as long as in winter.

A few drops of paraffin oil added to the water that has to be used for washing windows will discourage flies.



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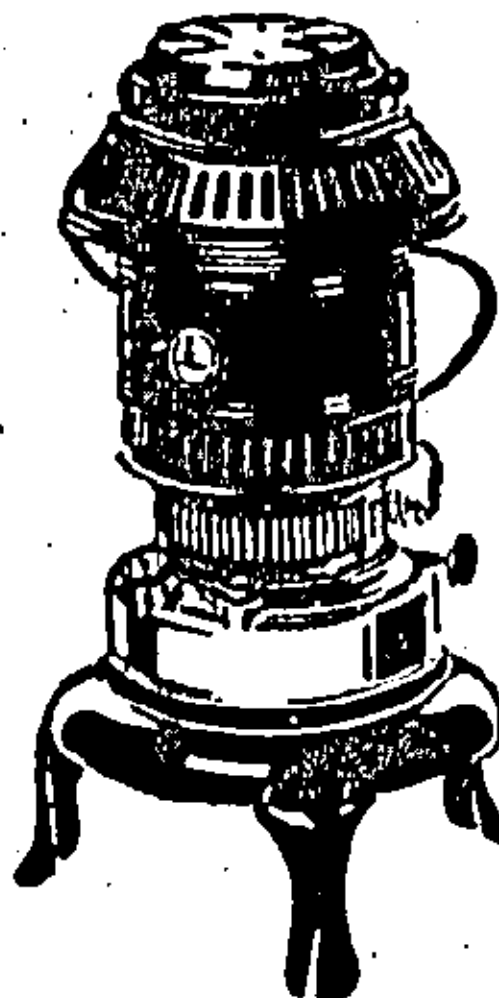
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ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Orders issued by Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Com-
manding H.K.V.D.C.:-

Hong Kong, Friday, Jan. 6, 1933.

PARADES

Battery.

There will be a parade on Tuesday, January 10 at Headquarters for Layers, Signallers and Staff at 5.30 p.m., sharp.

There will be a parade for Gun Drill and Signals at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m., sharp, on Thursday, January 12.

Camp will be held at Tai Lam from Friday, February 3 to Sunday, February 5. Every Member must attend.

Every Member must make an effort to attend all parades before Camp.

Engineer Company.
Sunday, January 8 Company Shoot. Peak Range, 9 a.m. Members must draw rifles and bayonets on Saturday, January 7 before 1 p.m.

Monday, January 9 Miniature Range.

Thursday, January 12 D. L. Instruction, Wellington Barracks.

All Members are reminded that Classification firing will take place on Sunday, February 5 Stonecutters and Camp on February 17-19.

Corps Signals
Musketry practices will be fixed Stonecutters Range on Sunday, January 8.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and will call at Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10.

Armoured Car Section
Parade at Headquarters on Monday, 9th instant at 5.30 p.m.

Motor Machine Gun Section.

All ranks will parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9 for Machine Gun Training.

All ranks are reminded that it is essential that all revolvers must be returned to Store on the above date.

A memorandum regarding the date of the Machine Gun Competition will be circulated to all ranks.

A.A.L.A. Company.
As from date, and until further orders, Section Drills will be discontinued and Members of the Company who have not yet completed the necessary number of drills for proficiency will parade, for combined instruction at Volunteer Headquarters every Monday at 5.30 p.m.

Portuguese Company.
Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10. Details will be found in the Appendix. Company Orderly Officer for the week ending Sunday, January 15—Lieut. J. H. Lawrence.

Musketry—Sunday, January 15, 1933. All men of Category "C" will fire Part III at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, January 15. All men of this Category are urged to turn up to parade on Tuesday, January 10 to obtain the benefit of further Musketry Practice. Platoon Commanders will see that the men of their units know their Categories, vide Orders dated September 21, 1932. Launch will leave Queen's Pier 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier 8.40 a.m. Range Officer—Lt. H. J. Silva.

All ranks should note that Rifle, Bayonets, Belts and Frogs are required for all Musketry Classes and Drill. Rifles should be drawn from Store before parade. Platoon Commanders should see that all ranks understand that it is useless to turn up improperly equipped and should warn their men that if this practice continues parades will not be counted.

Officers and N.C.O.s. should report either verbally or in writing to their unit commanders if unable to attend parades. Failure to do so, particularly when detailed for special duties, creates difficulties and leads to inefficient training.

Interpret Shoot—The Interpret Shoot with the Portuguese Company Shanghai Volunteer Corps will be fired off on January 15 in conjunction with Part III Musketry. Sergeant Sequiera will see that members of the team are notified.

Camp Pay—The vouchers in connection with Camp Pay have to be returned to Headquarters on Saturday, January 14. All ranks should note, therefore, that Tuesday, January 10 is the last parade at which pay can be drawn.

Appendix To Above.

Parade—Tuesday, January 10, 1933.

Category: A & B Lewis Gun. Lesson: Handling—S.A.T. Vol. 11 1931 pages 97-107. Location & Instructor: Headquarters—All Officers & N.C.O.s. not detailed below to be prepared with lesson. Kit required: 4 Lewis Guns—Magazines in Carriers, Ground Sheets, Targets.

Category: C Musketry. Lesson: Snapshooting & Rapid Fire Training—S.A.T. Vol. 1 1931 pp 121-128 Sec. 32 omitting p. 126 paragraph 9. Location & Instructors: Headquarters—Lt. H. J. Silva and 1 N.C.O. per Platoon as detailed by Platoon Commanders. Kit required: Rifles & Bayonets—Ground Sheets, Aiming Discs, Dummies in Clips. Targets 100 yards small snapshooting (representative).

Category: D Musketry. Lesson: Fire Table "A" Part II Instructional Practices T5, T6 and T8. Representative Targets. Location & Instructors: Miniature Range—Lt. J. S. Rodrigues, C.S.M. M. F. Baptista, Sergeant J. A. Delgado. Kit required: 22 Rifles and ammunition.

Anzac Company.

The Company will parade at full strength, in mufti, on Monday, January 9 at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction and to receive Camp Pay. No pay will be disbursed after that date. Section Commanders are asked to see that all men attend this parade.

L/Sergt. Bates, Corpl. N. A. E. Mackey, Corpl. E. H. P. White, Ptes. Dalziel, Kent, J. F. C. Mackey, Blake, Adams, J. P. Way, Selk, Monks, G. J. White, Fincher, Hynes, Cassel and Johnson will parade under 2nd Lieut. Way at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 13th instant for Machine Gun Instruction.

The Officer Commanding the undermentioned Units will issue their Orders separately to their Commands:—

- 1.—Corps Band.
- 2.—Machine Gun Troop.
- 3.—Scottish Company.

Promotion.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the promotion of Lieut.-Colonel Lennox Godfrey Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E. to the rank of Colonel in the Hong Kong

Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from December 24, 1932. Government Notification No. 812 dated 30.12.32.

Honour.
His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following appointment in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Military Division):—
To be an Ordinary member of the Fourth Class or Officer. (Military Division):—

Captain Eric John R. Mitchell. Government Notification No. 2 dated 2.1.33.

Promotion & Appointment.
No. 1674 Cpl. M. R. Deb, Medical Section, promoted Sergeant with effect from 6.1.33.

No. 177 L/Bdr. J. S. Beach, Battery, appointed Acting Lance Sergeant with effect from 6.1.33.

Reversion.
No. 1408 A/C.Q.M.S. J. Barnes, Corps Signals, reverts to the rank of Sergeant with effect from 6.1.33.

Rifle League.

A team has been entered by the Corps in the Hong Kong Rifle League. Will all Members of the Corps, who are willing to represent the Corps, if selected, please submit their names, in writing, to Lieut. J. H. Bottomley c/o Building Ordinance Office, P.W.D., not later than Monday, January 16. The Peak Range will be available for practice on Sunday, January 15.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by Captain C. Champkin, of his Commission in the Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence, with effect from December 24, 1932.

Authority:—C.S.O. 3 in 198/1932.

Struck Off The Strength.

Having left the Colony:—

No. 1907 Pte. H. S. Hersee, A.A.L.A. Company, as from 6.1.33.

No. 1821 Pte. P. M. Penhallurack, Anzac Company, as from 25.12.32.

No. 1696 Gnr. C. I. Read, Battery, as from 20.12.32.

Leave.

Lieut. A. E. Stone, A.A.L.A. Company, granted 12 months' leave from 8.1.33 to 7.1.34.

No. 1544 Pte. D. F. Kilby, Motor Machine Gun Section, leave extended to 31.1.33.

No. 1657 Pte. J. Smith, Motor Machine Gun Section, leave extended to 31.1.33.

No. 1897 Pte. F. D. Angus, No. 1 Platoon, returned from leave on 22.12.32.

No. 1462 Sergt. L. Goldman, No. 1 Platoon, returned from leave on 31.12.32.

No. 1675 A/C.Q.M.S. J. C. M. Grenham, Machine Gun Company Headquarters, returned from leave on 6.1.33.

(Continued in next Column.)

British Army Experimenting With New Troop Equipment

Boots, Clothing Of Lighter Material; New
Tunic Has Turned-Down Collar; Shirt
Is Of Khaki Flannel.

The new experimental uniform, designed to reduce the load, increase the comfort and efficiency, and improve the hygienic conditions of the British soldier, has been demonstrated at the Central Recruiting Office, Great Scotland Yard, according to the London Morning Post. The uniform is to be issued to selected detachments of the Queen's Royal Regiment (Aldershot) and the Durham Light Infantry (Catterick).

"The clothing and equipment are now under trial and are purely experimental," it is officially stated. "The results of the trial will undoubtedly necessitate many alterations and improvements, but the final clothing and equipment selected will be restricted to wear on maneuvers and active service."

Many Drastic Changes.
The experimental uniform represents many drastic alterations as compared with the present design. Almost every item of the infantry equipment of to-day is changed.

Among the major changes are the following:
Boots are of a lighter pattern. A "deersalker" cap of gabardine similar in shape to the steel helmet and giving made to the eyes and neck, replaces the present cap; there is no chin-strap or metal cap-badge.

New tunic has a turn-down collar, and double pleat at the back.

No. 1326 Bdr. A. S. Bliss, Battery, returned from on 12.12.32.

No. 1760 Bdr. D. Marshall, Battery, returned from leave on 26.12.32.

No. 1909 Pte. L. Cassel, Anzac Company, returned from leave on 6.1.33.

Strength.

The following has been taken on the Strength:—

No. 1978 Pte. H. E. Osmond, 9, Hart Avenue, Kowloon, Tel. 56992, No. 11 Platoon, 3.1.33.

(Sd.) W. H. G. GOATER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Notice.

Machine Gun Company Dance.—

The Machine Gun Company Dance will now take place on February 4.

Sergeants' Mess.—A Committee Meeting will be held in the Mess at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11.

large pockets, button cuffs, and bronze buttons and badges. In cold weather the collar can be buttoned.

Two Trouser Types.
Shirt is of khaki flannel, with a fixed collar, worn open without a tie. A woollen pullover replaces the present cardigan.

Two types of trousers and leg-coverings are under trial. The first consists of trousers, with a slit at the ankle, to be worn with either short puttees or web gaiters. The second consists of long "shorts" to be worn with short puttees and hose tops.

Experiments are being made to produce a waterproof greatcoat to reach below the knees. The coat will normally be carried in regimental transport, not by the man. A new waterproof cape and groundsheet has been designed. This is of oilskin, with arm slits, and will give better protection from rain.

For the clasp-knife the marlin-spike is abolished and a better type of tin-opener is introduced.

Many far-reaching changes are also being made in the equipment. Waterbottles are to be of stainless steel and will be carried in the pack. The mess-tin is of aluminium, without a cover, and is also carried in the pack. Two trenching tools are to be tried, each with a small shovel, one with, and one without, a small projecting pick. These are to be strapped to the pack.

The new webbing equipment is designed so that nothing shall hang below the waist except the frog and bayonet. The haversack is abolished and there are two packs, the upper to carry those articles which a soldier must have at all times, and the lower, easily detachable, designed to carry such things as a soldier may normally leave behind for several days without loss of efficiency or serious discomfort. The packs have loofah pads at the back to keep them off the body and permit ventilation. Ammunition pouches are retained.

The steel helmet is normally to be carried by the regiment transport.

The weights of the proposed new equipment are as follow:

Full marching order and 50 rounds of ammunition. Trousers with leggings, 45 lb 5 1/2 oz.; with short puttees, 45 lb 1 oz.; Long "shorts" 48 lb 4 1/2 oz.

Battle Order, with 100 rounds of ammunition and without lower pack; 49 lb 6 oz., 49 lb 1 1/4 oz., and 49 lb 4 1/2 oz., respectively.

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The present service order weighs about 80 lb.

The soldier who was used for the demonstration was also carrying an experimental type of rifle and bayonet. The barrel of the rifle projected beyond the stock to take the new bayonet. The bayonet had a circular ring in place of the ordinary hilt, was half the length of the present weapon, and the blade was square in section with four edges.

General Sir Ian Hamilton, discussing the new uniform with a representative of the "Morning Post," said: "As Honorary Colonel of a Regiment, I must not say anything critical of this new outfit. The present equipment, so far as I know, was considered satisfactory during the War and I think it is a pity to bring in changes if they involve extra expenditure to officers."

The general opinion of a number of officers who commanded companies during the War was that almost any step which would lighten the load of the infantryman was bound to be good. The use of gaiters instead of puttees was also approved; though the view was held by some that tighter trousers would be more suitable for active service, especially where barbed-wire was to be encountered.

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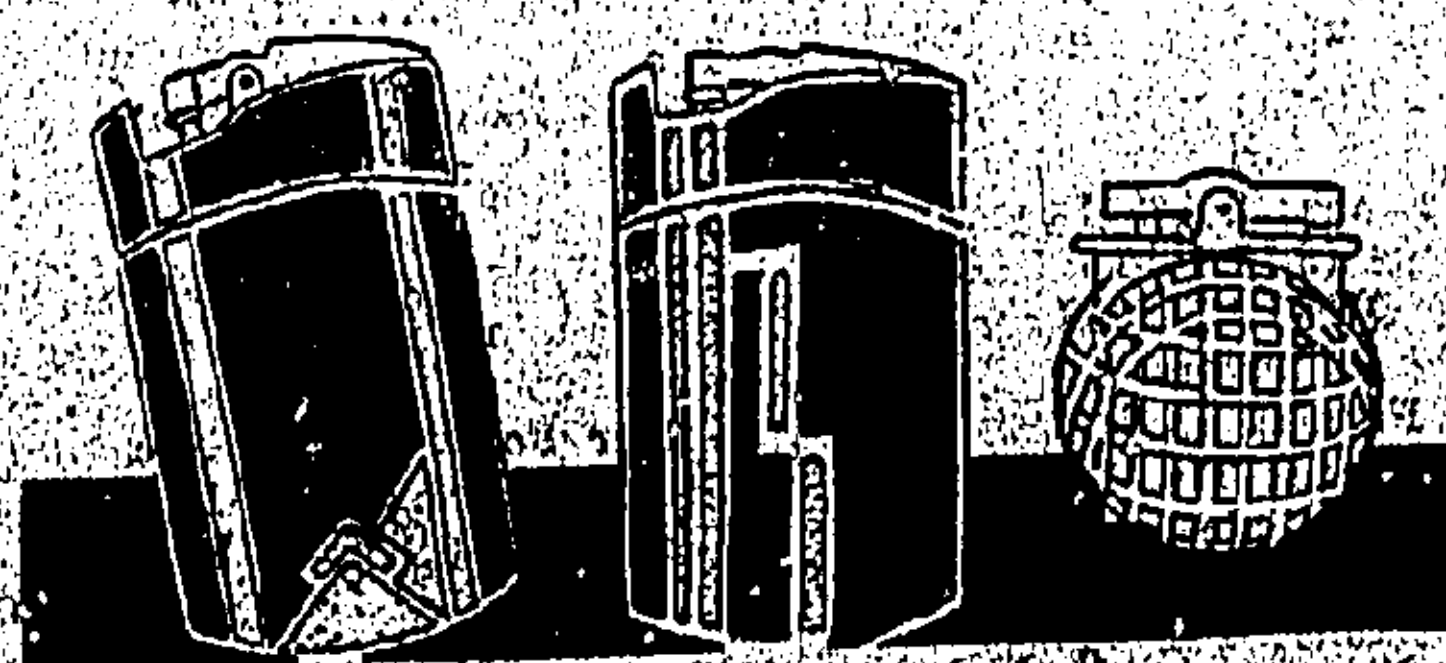
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MAIL REVIEW

"BOUGHT"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

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Ben Lyon is cast as a struggling writer who is in love with Constance Bennett, but she does not feel the same way, although she likes him. Time passes and she falls in love with a millionaire's son, Edward Nugent. She begins to become tired and then there enters her unknown father, Richard Bennett. She tries to make good with Lyon but he accuses her of being bought!

It is a Warner Brothers' production, and was directed by Archie Mayo. Recommended!

MAIL REVIEW

"MADAME RACKETEER"—KING'S THEATRE.

Alison Skipworth takes the leading role in "Madame Racketeer," amusing comedy now showing at the King's Theatre. Here is a typical character study. Richard Bennett, also in the cast, is made to take a back-seat role.

The story is about an elderly woman who has spent a good deal of her time in gaol. Released, she goes west to the town in which her deserted husband runs a hotel. She finds that her two daughters have grown up and arrange to assist one of them to marry the man she likes and to keep the other from eloping with one of those Chicago gentlemen.

MAIL REVIEW.

"PALMY DAYS"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

In response to requests by theatre-goers, Samuel Goldwyn's popular musical film "Palmy Days," is showing at the Oriental Theatre. Eddie Cantor has the leading role in this production, which is just one big laugh from beginning to end. Charlotte Greenwood Eleanor Hunt, Barbara Weeks and Frances Dee help a great deal in making the film the marked success that it is. Recommended!

MAIL REVIEW

"PEACH O' RENO"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

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William A. Selter directed the picture.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE DOOMED BATTALION"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.

Luis Trenker, who actually commanded a band of men on Mount Lagazol when the Italians were mining underneath, plays the principal part in "The Doomed Battalion," the current attraction at the Majestic Theatre.

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MAIL REVIEW

"BACHELOR APARTMENT"—STAR THEATRE.

Radio Pictures' "Bachelor Apartment," a sprightly society drama, is now showing at the Star Theatre.

Its humour, romance and sparkling gaiety have been ingeniously interwoven into the background, for which chief credit is due Lowell Sherman, actor-director.

IS CAMBRIDGE GROWING UP?

Men Don't Require Chaperones Now.

OXFORD'S COMMENT.

The "Isis," the Oxford undergraduate journal, has these few words to say about Cambridge men: "The differences between Oxford and Cambridge are many, varied, and great. The advantages of Oxford over Cambridge are many and varied, and certainly as great. As far as brilliance of wit and intellect is concerned Oxford supremacy is unchallenged. It is true that as far as rowing is concerned a suspicion of Oxford's inferiority has been spread about. But what of other sports—about which Cambridge shows such a modest reticence in controversy? The plain statistical truth is that even if we included rowing, Oxford at the present time wins the majority of inter-University sports.

"And when we lose, Cambridge can only shout about its latest triumph in chess, ping-pong, or deck tennis. It has the alternative, of course, of observing that Oxford has again lost the boat race.

"But on a question of principle, at any rate, we are now beginning to suspect that Cambridge has the advantage over us. Cambridge has this week been the centre of another battle won in its cause.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

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12.30 p.m.—European programme.
The 5th instalment of a series of recordings on "The Trial of Vivienne Ware" by courtesy of the Management of the King's Theatre and the Fox Film Corporation.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra by courtesy of the Management (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.50-5.10 p.m.—A Running Commentary on the Football Match between St. Joseph's and the Royal Navy from the Kowloon Football Club and the Hong Kong Football Association.

5.10-7 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
7-11.30 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.

7.15-8 p.m.—The 6th instalment of the series of recordings on "The Trial of Vivienne Ware" by courtesy of the Management of the King's Theatre and the Fox Film Corporation.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.3-9.20 p.m.—Variety.

Song—
Love, You Funny Thing
Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.
One Step
Drink Up
Debroy Somers Band CB503.

Vocal Duet—
I Lost my Heart in Heidelberg
Layton & Johnstone DB826.
Humorous—
Happy Hikers
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Vocal Duet—
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Fox Trot—
All my Life
Savoy Hotel Orpheans CB403.
Humorous Duet—
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Chick Endor & Charlie Farrell
Organ Solo—
Paradise
Quentin M. Maclean DB875.

Vocal Duet—
If You Were Only Mine
Layton & Johnstone DB925.
Fox Trot—
Lies
The Masqueraders CB411.

Vocal Duet—
The Pussycat News
Mr. Flotsam & Mr. Jetsam DB843.
Snuggled on Your Shoulder
Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.

Quick Step—
Listen to the German Band
Debroy Somers Band CB503.
Vocal Duet—
We've Got to Put That Sun Back in the Sky
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Humorous—
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Vocal Duet—
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Organ Solo—
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Vocal Duet—
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Waltz—
Mardi Gras
Fox Trot—
Someone to Care For
Dancing to Save Your Soul 24059.

Waltz—
All I Want is Just One
I Still Remember 22301.

Waltz—
When the Sun Goes Down on a Little Prairie Town 22301.
Fox Trot—
Swingin' in a Hammock
Cheer Up 22453.

Waltz—
You For Me
If You're Not Kissing Me
Cupid's Holiday 22450.

Waltz—
Little Gigolotte 22350.
Fox Trot—
It's a Great Life 22544.
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I'm Learning a Lot From You 22516.

Waltz—
My Summer Counting On
Fox Trot—
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Sunday, January 8.—Christian Social Hour, 8.15 p.m.
Monday, January 9.—Ladies' Church Aid Society Meeting, 3 p.m.
Badminton Club meet.

Tuesday, January 10.—Fellowship meeting, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, January 11.—A Lecture by Mr. C. E. R. Clarabut of the Hong Kong University on the subject "Among the Hairy Ainus," 8 p.m.

Thursday, January 12.—Badminton Club meet.

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Waltz—
I Believe in You 22020.

Fox Trot—
There's Rhythm in the River
I Need Lovin' 22041.
I Keep Remembering
When You Were the Blossom of Buttercup Lane 22545.

Waltz—
Bow Down to Washington 22883.
Waltz—
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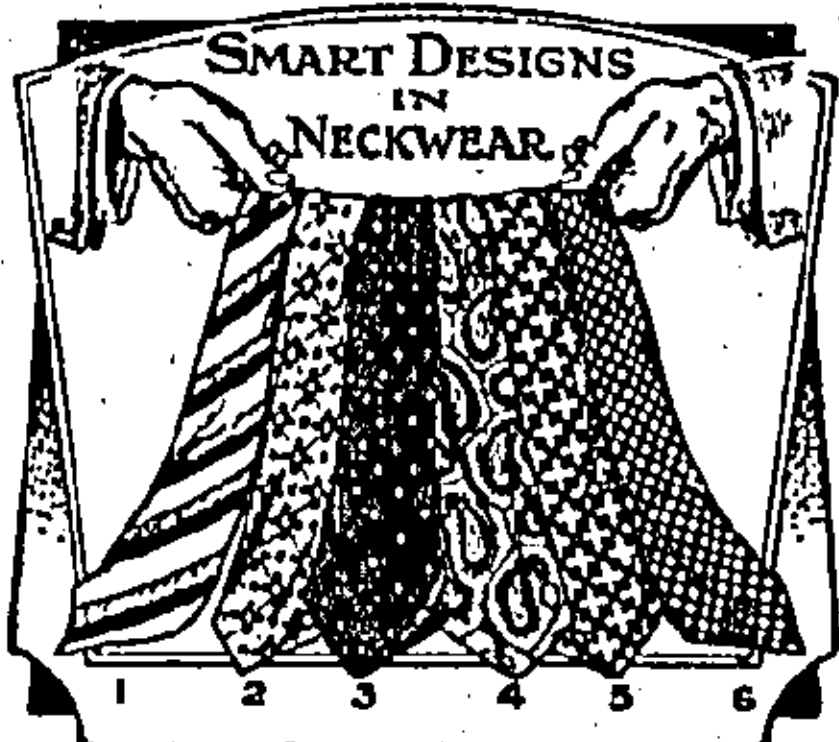
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Saturday, Jan. 7, 1933.

The Strain on a Prime Minister.

A recent address delivered at Oxford by Lord Cecil directs attention at the right moment to a crucial question of government. Taking "The Machinery of Government" for his title he devoted himself, in the main, to considering the plight of a modern Cabinet, choked with business, and how it may best modify its structure to meet a strain which promises to become fatal to its function. The subject has endless ramifications of administrative and legislative method which may be conveniently covered by the term "devolution"; but Lord Cecil is not the less constructive because he has confined his suggestions to immediately practicable readjustments of Cabinet business and practice. He is concerned to discover how, short of a more radical overhaul of the machinery of government, some relaxation may be found of the deadly physical pressure under which leading members of the Cabinet—and, more than any of them, the Prime Minister—have to work, and how room may be gained for a more systematic and provident examination of the larger aspects of public policy. Among the topics open to a Sidney Ball lecturer he could hardly have chosen one that bears more closely upon the difficulties of the present day. The burden placed upon a modern Prime Minister is beyond physical bearing. From the moment that he forms his Cabinet the race between his duties and his physical endurance begins. The same is hardly less true of one or two of his colleagues. But when the Prime Minister's health and vigour suffer the public interest is threatened in a peculiar degree, since he is the pivot of the Cabinet system and any impairment of his activities must tend to impede its working. Lord Cecil's proposals for giving Cabinet Ministers more room to breathe and more time to think aim at a division of labour on lines nearer to the normal procedure of boards and committees directing less exalted affairs. His plan is that the Cabinet should do more work through Standing Committees and less through committees appointed from time to time for particular questions. Cabinet committees of this kind, he thinks, fail to distribute the burden and are otherwise unsatisfactory. To the committees of Imperial Defence (which consists of the Prime Minister and others whom he may summon), of Home Affairs

(which does not necessarily include the Prime Minister), and the Economic Advisory Council he would add two Standing Committees. The first would be a Committee on External Affairs, Imperial and foreign, which would clearly be designed to give weight in foreign policy to other factors than those that must chiefly weigh with the Committee of Imperial Defence. The second, and more important, would be a General Purposes Committee. It would consist of the Prime Minister, the Foreign Secretary, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the chairmen of other Standing Committees, and the Minister or Ministers specially concerned with the subject under discussion. In some respects it would resemble the War Cabinet, but unlike the War Cabinet it would not have experts in attendance—generally Lord Cecil holds that experts should speak through their Ministers—nor would it supersede the full Cabinet, for Cabinet responsibility entails the collective grasp and approval of policy. But the main business of the Cabinet at its weekly meeting would be to receive the reports of committees, and when these were unanimous they would seldom require long discussion. The advantages of this procedure, it is claimed, would be to settle questions among six Ministers instead of twenty, while the General Purposes Committee would be small enough to get close to business and authoritative enough to carry conviction. With all that he says in favour of lightening the Parliamentary, party, and social calls on the Prime Minister's time there must be general agreement. Under the present Administration something has in fact been done to reduce the claim of the House of Commons. Nor, in the light of the far-reaching consequences of the institution of the Committee of Imperial Defence, let anyone suppose that his suggestions as a whole involve a mere juggling with committees. A General Purposes Committee might have equally substantial results. The War compelled an adaptation of Cabinet procedure to a vast emergency. Since the War no Government has had time to think out the adaptation required by that ever more "laborious" form of government known as democracy. A reorganization of business after Lord Cecil's model would still leave the country's leading Ministers an over-driven set of men. Much at any time, in and out of Cabinet, will depend upon a Prime Minister himself. Some, in the past, have worked to exhaustion. Others, partly by design and partly by temperament, have sat back and have refused to take part in decisions until the public interest (or their own salvation) positively required it.

HERE THERE and EVERYWHERE.

Exhuming Chopin.
The removal of the body of Chopin from Paris to the village in Poland where he was born will also remove him from a musical company.

He was taken seriously ill in Edinburgh on October 4, 1849, but managed to reach Paris, where he died a fortnight later, and was buried in the Père-Lachaise Cemetery, a few yards only from the graves of Bellini and Cherubini. This will not be the first instance of the exhumation of a famous composer. Weber died in London in 1826, and was buried in Moorfields Chapel. In 1844 his widow made application to the Home Secretary, and his remains were removed to the family vault at Dresden, no less a person than Wagner supervising the arrangements.

The Decline of Shooting.
Hall Barn, Beaconsfield, where M. Flaudin, the French ex-Minister of Finance, formed one of Sir Gomer Berry's week-end shooting party, provides, or used to provide, the finest pheasant coverts in England.

It was here on December 18, 1913, that the King, the Prince of Wales, and five other guns shot 3937 pheasants—a record for this country.

Recently the bag was under 800 head.

Allowing for the fact that the King's party included three exceptional shots—His Majesty, Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, and the Hon. H. Stonor—the difference in the bags is remarkable.

The changed conditions of the English countryside are responsible for the decline. Never again will England yield the enormous bags of the pre-war period.

Your Daily Smile.

Motto for Wives.

Oh, try those tears!

Two Minds With—

A financier says that our banking system is not perfect. I discovered this long ago after interviewing the manager.

ANTELOPEMENTS.

A naturalist says an antelope will often run off with a dozen different new wives in a season.

"Hit Your Star to a Wagon."
I read that Wild West films are still the most popular in hundreds of thousands of cinemas.

PROFOUND PROBLEMS:
FOR HUSBANDS ONLY.
Who was it said: "I've given up the best years of my life for you, and what do I get in return?"

Short Scots Story.

A Scotsman was going for a hair-cut, but the thought of spending so much money made his hair stand on end. Then he was able to cut it himself.

ENIGMAMMA
A psychologist says that the modern mother is hard to fathom.

Facts You Did Not Know.

Increase in hydroelectric power generated in Italy has displaced an annual coal consumption of 9,000,000 tons.

The Rumanian government plans to aid agriculturists by promoting alcohol distilling plants to use potatoes and grain as raw materials, byproducts being used to fatten cattle.

By the use of electrical recording instruments aviation engineers have proved that airplanes receive more severe shocks from air that is "bumpy" than when landing at high speed.

Designed for hauling freight in the tropics and Far East, a three-ton tractor has been constructed in England that draws three trailers, each carrying 15 tons, over rough roads.

There are objections to either method. Both at least point to the need in a Prime Minister of a very clear and determined preference for essentials and of a stern and vigilant front to the impertinence and the irrelevance with which Downing Street must always be beset.

FUTURE OF RADIO BROADCASTING FROM WILL SURVIVE

BROADCASTING FORM WILL SURVIVE

(By Sir John Reith, Director-General of the B.B.C.)

Fifty years from now will there be a B.B.C. as we know it to-day, Governors and Director-General as they are known—or at any rate machinery, processes, all more or less as to-day?

I believe so. There will be developments and improvements in every line; to suggest otherwise would be to limit the possibilities of scientific invention and of human enterprise.

There will be progress on present-day practice, perhaps out of all recognition; but in certain fundamental particulars I do not anticipate any marked change, and should deplore it.

I am not referring to what may be called high programme policy, though actually what I have just said would, as a personal opinion, there apply. But it would be foolish to write categorically on this score in these times of changing practice and changing principles.

Monopoly Will Stay.

This much, however, I should expect and hope—that the policy of the supply of good things in anticipation of demand, the policy of certain things done and certain things not done, having stood the test of the first ten years as they surely have, would stand likewise during the next fifty.

The importance, from every point of view, of a clear policy—broadminded but definite—should not require emphasis. But the issues which I have immediately in mind are simpler and more mundane.

Now, broadcast programmes are naturally of considerable interest to those who purpose listening to them. And listeners to broadcast programmes are in some measure interested in the B.B.C. as the organisation responsible for them.

The programmes—improving in scope and in quality each year—will obviously continue, and the unrestricted, competitive private enterprise system of the United States of America being, to say the least, unlikely of adoption here, some one concern will remain responsible for them.

Relations Outside.

Let it be remarked in passing that it is significant that the monopoly objection to the B.B.C., the most clamant of all objections in 1923, is practically unknown in 1932.

Assuming, therefore, the monopoly and the one concern, it is the constitution of that body in 1932 (or for the matter of that even in 1942) which may be the subject of speculation—its relationship with the State, with other bodies, such as the Press, whose interests and activities are or may be affected, and with its listeners. On the first, that is, the straight constitutional issue, much discussion and argument will take place.

I believe the present form, with a few but important clarifications and adjustments of detail, will survive.

Further, I believe it will be extensively adopted by, or adapted to, other forms of public service now undertaken by both Government Departments and private enterprise. It is that form which, while admitting of essential public control on matters of major policy importance, allows also the greatest flexibility of management and the most favourable working conditions.

State's Control.

The precise relationship between such bodies and the State will present an increasingly delicate problem. In what was, after all, an experimental period, the first ten years of the B.B.C. or, to be more exact, in the first Charter, granted in 1927, precise definition was not to be expected.

The more precise it was, the more control was the State likely to reserve to itself. The desirability of consideration on this point, in the light of experience, is already recognised.

Throughout the world countries have tended more and more to adopt, for broadcasting purposes, systems closely resembling, and frequently modelled on, that of the B.B.C. But of recent days there have been two surprising

and, to many, disquieting happenings.

In Germany the head of the central organisation has always been the direct nominee of the Minister of Posts, and was called his Commissioner.

This, from the aspect of autonomy and political independence, was unfortunate, and there were many in Germany who looked forward with some assurance to such an alteration as would bring them more into line with British practice. The reverse has happened, and now, to all intents and purposes, broadcasting in Germany becomes governmental.

Dominion Stations.

Canada appeared to be following suit to Australia and New Zealand, where the home system is now in operation. The numerous private enterprise stations were to be expropriated, and a single Dominion-wide authority was to take control.

The struggle was long and acrimonious. The Aird Commission had recommended it in 1928. A special Parliamentary Committee, after a fresh and exhaustive inquiry, entered a similar recommendation in the spring of last year. A bill was presented to Parliament in accordance therewith.

They have their single control now, but something unexpected happened at the last moment. The Commissioners were established, but they are now apparently Civil Servants, and broadcasting is a Department of Government.

It is highly desirable and not merely as affecting the B.B.C., that the B.B.C. type of management of public services should be examined and discussed. To-night's broadcast debate between Lord Allen of Hurtwood and Sir Ernest Benn, was accordingly arranged, but it would require a dozen such for the ground adequately to be covered.

Of the impact of broadcasting on the Press and other affected interests there is no space here to treat. And with respect to the B.B.C. and its unnumbered millions of listeners, here is material for several articles alone. I shall deal with one element only, and I introduce it in this form:

You cannot have twenty to twenty-five million people paying, according to some of them, the one pipe and having therefore the right to call an equal number of tunes. Nor even five million—the number of licences. One of the B.B.C.'s greatest troubles is the lack of criticism. A surprising observation? It is, perhaps, commonly imagined that the B.B.C. has more than it wants, and perhaps even more than it deserves. But that may be quite true as well, and yet there be nothing contradictory or inconsistent in the two statements.

SECRET OF BRITAIN'S SEA POWER.

Spain Takes Credit For England's Supremacy.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

Madrid.
The secret of Gt. Britain's maritime supremacy through so many centuries has been revealed at last.

It is contained in an explanatory note attached to the first edition of a Spanish book entitled "Art de Navigar" by Martin Cortes published in 1551 and translated into English by Richard Eden in 1556. This note states that "This book enabled Gt. Britain to master the art of navigation and teach it to the world. Hence Gt. Britain became Mistress of the Sea thanks to Spain."

The little book, which has excited much interest, is on show at an exhibition which opened at the Admiralty Museum here this week. Other exhibits of interest are an engraving of Lord Nelson and relics of the Spanish fleet which took part in the Battle of Trafalgar.

St. George's Ball At Peninsula

700 Guests At Successful Function

GOVERNOR AND LADY PEEL ATTEND

Over 700 guests, including H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel, Major-General and Mrs. O. C. Borrett, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, and the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Victoria, attended the annual Ball of St. George's Society held at the Peninsula Hotel last night. The function was a great success, although the usual ceremonials were omitted.

The Rose Room presented a brilliant scene. It was tastefully decorated with flags, the picture of the patron saint, St. George, English roses and shields depicting the arms of the counties and boroughs of England. The decorations were effectively carried out under the supervision of Mr. W. A. Cornell, who is to be congratulated.

Prior to the commencement of the Ball, H.E. Sir William and Lady Peel were entertained to dinner by Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. (President of St. George's Society) and a large number of distinguished friends.

The Ball was opened at 9 p.m. and dancing continued until 2 a.m. this morning. At 11 p.m. a cold buffet and snack supper was served in the dining room.

Amongst those present were H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E.) and Lady Peel, the G.O.C., Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., C.B.E., and Mrs. Borrett, Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, K.C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O., and Miss Kelly, the Hon. Sir William and Lady Shenton, Miss Shenton, Sir William Hornell, Sir Shou-son and Lady Chow, Hon. Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, H.H. Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., Hon. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Southern, Hon. Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Alabaster, Miss Alabaster, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, Miss A. M. Wolfe, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. T'so, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Chau.

The Rt. Rev. R. Owen Hall (Bishop of Victoria), Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hallifax, Miss Hallifax, Very Rev. Dean and Mrs. A. Swann, Commodore and Mrs. E. McC. Wyndham Lawrie, Commander and Mrs. G. Layton, Misses Layton, Col. and Mrs. L. G. Bird, Lt.-Col. E. J. De C. Boys, Lt.-Col. A. R. Godwin, Col. C. D. Myles, (President, St. Patrick's Society) and Mrs. Myles, Mr. K. E. Greig (Chieftain St. Andrew's Society), Mr. R. R. Davies (President, St. David's Society), Col. and Mrs. F. P. Nosworthy, Major and Mrs. Shillington, Dr. and Hon. Mrs.

WARM WELCOME FOR BISHOP.

Helena May Institute Gathering.

GOVERNOR PRESENT.

There was a large and distinguished gathering at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon to welcome the Rt. Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, who was enthroned Bishop of Victoria last Friday. Mr. P. S. Cassidy presided.

Among those present were His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel and Lady Peel, accompanied by Capt. R. F. Walter, A. D. C., the Hon. Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Lady Shenton Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. Justice and Mrs. J. R. Wood, the Hon. Mr. C. G. and Mrs. Alabaster, Mr. and Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schofield, Mr. G. R. Sayer, the Very Rev. Dean Swann, Revs. W. Walton Rogers, G. K. Carpenter, G. T. Waldegrave, E. W. L. Martin, N. V. Halward (Bishop's Chaplain) H. F. Foley, R. N. and F. Evans, R. N.

Dean Swann pleaded for loyal affectionate co-operation between people and Bishop. They were meeting as members of one great family and that was how their relations should continue.

Bishop Hall spoke optimistically of the future of the Church in China. Already he was surprised and delighted to find the progress that had been made.

He concluded by thanking those present for their genuine welcome.

Goldby, Commander F. Baxter, Major V. E. Duclos, Major and Mrs. K. P. Atkinson.

Baroness Furnwall, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Miss Grayburn, Mr. H. R. B. and the Misses Hancock, Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson, Consul General Mr. M. J. Quist, Consul General Mr. Phillips, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. Husband-Clutton, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. H. L. F. Baker, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. M. Alun-Jones, Cdr. F. Baxter, Lt.-Comdr. Deane and Miss M. K. B. Deane, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. Hubback, Lt.-Comdr. W. G. Andrews, Squadron-Leader Alford, Lt.-Comdr. F. B. Leigh, Lt.-Comdr. G. R. N. Robertson, Lt.-Comdr. C. W. May.

The procession from the West Lifts into the Rose Room, was as follows:—

The President, The Governor, The Vice President, Lady Peel, Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Hon. Sir William Shenton, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E.

The committees were: Invitation and reception.—Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. (Chairman), Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., Mr. T. E. Pearce, Hon. Sir W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Sir W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., Mr. F. C. Hall, Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. A. Dowley, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson.

Decoration.—Mr. W. A. Cornell (Chairman), Mr. A. B. Raworth, Mr. G. G. Wood, Mr. A. W. G. Tickle.

Music and Dancing.—Mr. J. Bentley (Chairman), Mr. G. W. E. True, Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson, Mr. T. H. King.

Card Room.—Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C. (Chairman), Mr. J. D. Danby.

Correspondence.

SELF PROTECTION.

[To the Editor, "China Mail."] Sir,—Some people advocate some form of protection for local concerns against foreign competition. I am of the opinion that by extravagant management, some of our local concerns openly invite competition. Overheads and charges to customers appear to be a minor consideration. For instance, I am a Kowloon Resident and pay 18 cents per unit for my Electric Lighting to The China Light and Power Company as against 16 cents charged by The Hong Kong Electric Company to Hong Kong Residents.

The Hong Kong Electric Company appears to thrive on their charges which has been 16 cents per unit for a number of years on which they have built up huge reserves and paid good dividends. Both Companies operate and produce under similar conditions and if The Hong Kong Electric Company can thrive on 16 cents per unit, what then is wrong with The China Light & Power Company?

It is very fortunate for The China Light & Power Company that Electric Power cannot be packed and shipped like cement in bags, in which case they would be compelled to consider the consumer and lower rates in order to meet competition.

FAIRNESS.

PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

Ceremony Performed On Roof Garden.

An interesting wedding was solemnised according to Chinese ceremonial yesterday afternoon at the roof garden of the Gloucester Building, when Miss Ma Chai-chun, daughter of Mr. Ma Pak-leung, a well-known local merchant, became the bride of Mr. Lo Ka-kai, nephew of Mr. Lo Lok-chai.

Both families are well known in the Colony and there was a big attendance.

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau officiated at the wedding ceremony. Mr. Wong Kung-min was the best man.

MRS. C. S. SCHAEER LAID TO REST.

Many Attend Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Carmen Santos Schaeer, wife of Mr. F. Schaeer, and late of the Catering department of Gloucester Building, took place last evening, in

To-Day's Short Story.

MY ADVENTURE AT CHISELHURST

By A. J. Alan.

TOWARDS the end of last September I went to the Radio Exhibition at Olympia, and very fine it was, too. I drifted about, and after I'd "done" the ground floor and was going up the stairs to the gallery, I ran into a man I knew. Just at the moment it wouldn't do at all for me to mention his name, so I'll merely call him James, but there's no harm in saying that he was a retired stockbroker and he lived near Chiselhurst.

He hailed me with glee and insisted on our walking round together. I was rather sorry about this, because it's so much more fun wandering about exhibitions by oneself, and not only that, he was evidently starting a bad cold, which didn't attract me particularly, but there was no getting out of it without offending him, so I didn't try.

After all, he was by way of being a friend of mine, and I'd known him for ages, but we hadn't come across each other for some months, and during this time he'd got married again, unexpectedly. Everyone had come to look on him as a chronic widower, and he'd have probably stopped so if the daughter who kept house for him hadn't got married herself and gone to live in Birmingham. As things were, he hadn't seen the catch of running an enormous great house all by himself, so Mrs. James the Second had come to the throne as a matter of course. I had never actually met her, but from all accounts she was a great success.

James was so keen on telling me about how happy he was, and so on, that it was quite a job to make him take any interest in the show, but whenever he did deign to look at or listen to anything he merely said it wasn't a patch on some rotten

the Roman Catholic cemetery, Happy Valley. The Very Rev. Fr. Spada performed the last rites.

The large gathering at the funeral included the bereaved husband who, with Messrs. Pedro and Jose Santos (brothers of the deceased) and F. Evangelista (cousin), was chief mourner.

Many friends attended. A wealth of floral tributes covered the grave.

super-het he'd brought back from the United States. (They'd spent their honeymoon there for some unknown reason). I naturally wasn't going to stand this sort of thing for long, so I made a few remarks about American super-hats which were very well received by adjacent stallholders. The remarks themselves weren't, perhaps, of general interest, but they landed me with a challenge. This was to dine with him that evening, hear his set, and, incidentally, meet his new wife. I hadn't got an excuse ready, so I said that I should be charmed to meet his wife and, incidentally, hear his new set.

It so happened that my car was in dock for two days, and James said he'd call for me at home and

MONDAY'S STORY.

Monday's story will be "Silver Blazze," by Sir A. Conan Doyle.

run me down. The question then arose as to whether I should dress first or take a tag down with me. That doesn't sound important, I know, but it had a good deal to do with something that happened afterwards. As a matter of fact I decided to change at home.

I left James at the Exhibition during the afternoon, he picked me up at my place at half-past six or thereabouts, and we got down to Chiselhurst just before seven.

We were met by the news that Mrs. James wasn't in. She'd apparently taken out her own car during the morning and gone off to see her mother, who lived at Worthington and as a bit of an invalid. As this was a thing she'd been in the habit of doing every two or three weeks it was nothing out of the way, but she usually got back earlier.

At all events, pending her return, we went through the hall into the lounge, where people generally sat, and James began mixing cocktails. While he was doing this I had a look round to see how much had been altered under the new management, as one would. The only unfamiliar object in the room seemed to be a large picture hanging over the mantelpiece. I was just strolling across to get a better view (it was getting dark by this time) when James said: "Half a sec." and he switched on some specially arranged lights round the frame which showed it up properly. Then he said: "What do you think of my wife?"

Well, I looked at it and said: "Gosh! If that's at all like her she must be one of the most beautiful women I've ever seen." The portrait was by quite a well-known man and he'd painted her exactly full face and looking straight at you. You don't often see that because so few people can stand it. The general effect was so realistic that one almost felt one was being introduced and ought to say something. She was fair rather than dark, a little bit Scandinavian in appearance, and I put her down as a shade over thirty.

James finished mixing the cocktails and gave me mine, and then he took his up with him to dress, leaving me sitting in an arm-chair facing the fireplace—and the picture.

He couldn't have got further than the top of the stairs when the telephone bell in the hall rang and he came running down to answer it. It was evidently his wife at the other end, and judging from what he said, she was explaining that she was stuck at Worthington for the night owing to some trouble with the car. Nothing serious.

(He told me afterwards that she'd first of all had a bad puncture and then found that the inner tube of the spare wheel was perished. The delay would have meant her driving part of the way home in the dark, which she didn't like).

After that the question of his cold cropped up. She must have asked after it, because I heard him say it wasn't any better. They talked about it for a bit and then lapsed into the type of conversation which one expects between newly married people, but which is dull for anyone else to listen to.

"It almost sent me off to sleep. It didn't quite, but I got as far as the moment when the subconscious side of the brain begins to take control

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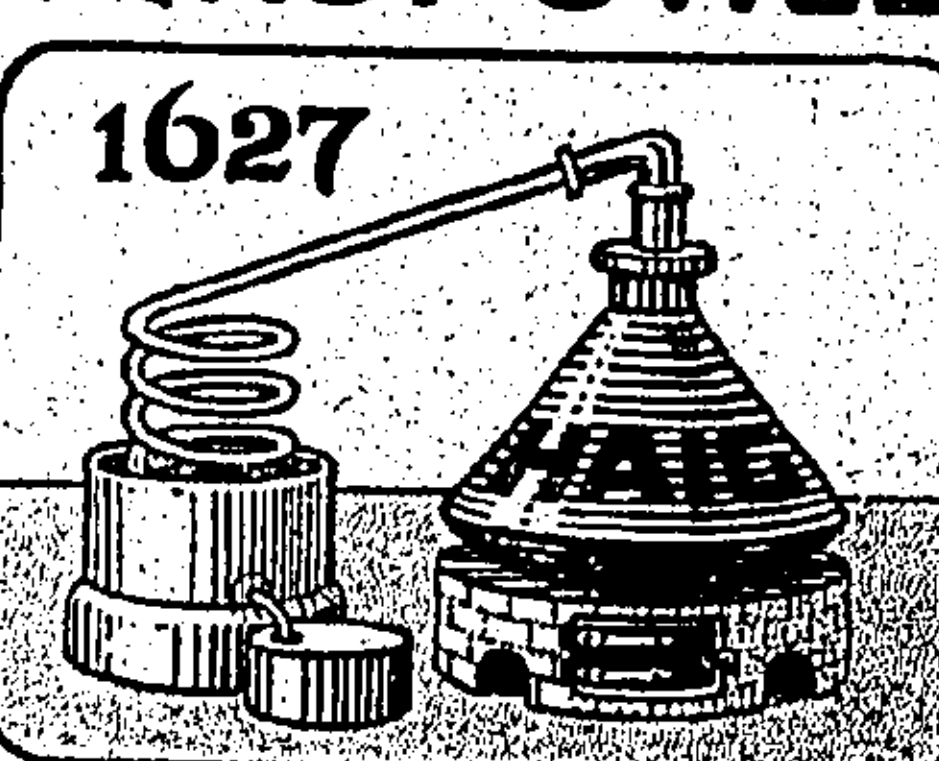
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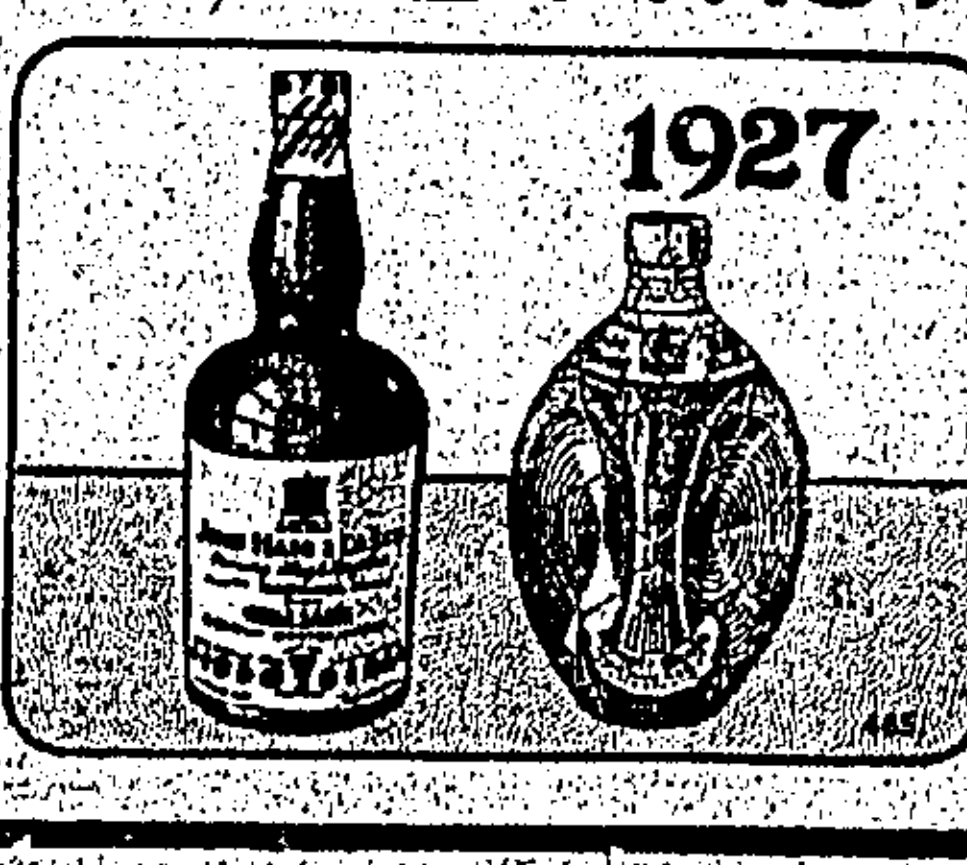
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TO-DAY'S SPORTING ACTIVITIES

LINCOLNS MAY IMPROVE LEAGUE POSITION

Club v. Craigengower At Cricket.

CAER CLARK GAME.

THE local football programme to-day has been robbed of one of its biggest attractions by the postponement of the match between the Chinese Athletic and the South Wales Borderers. Owing to the Triangular Tournament Rugby Club ground, this game will be match, which is being played on the played on the Club ground tomorrow afternoon and will comprise one of the three League fixtures down for decision to-morrow.

The game which should arouse most interest will be that between the Police and the Lincolns. Though having secured only 4 points out of a possible 14 the Police are a formidable side when at full strength. In Johnston at centre forward they have one of the best bustling forwards in the Colony, while Blackburne, at full back, is a defender of Interport standard. The Lincolns, however, should garner both points in an even game, and thus displace South China from the runners-up position.

THE Cricket League stages five encounters of which the most interesting will be that at the Valley between Craigengower and the Club. The Valley ground is a small one and it will not be surprising if the bat beats the ball in both innings. The Club after their defeat at Kowloon will be out to redeem their reputation, and if T. A. Pearce and A. C. Beck are given any opportunities Craigengower may well find themselves fighting hard to stave off defeat. The Club batting is very stolid and it will be surprising to see all their wickets fall, even though the Valley team possess such bowlers as V. M. Omar and R. Lee in their attack.

THE first of the 1933 game in the Caer Clark Cup will be staged on the Marina ground when the St. Andrew's Ladies are expected to triumph over the Recreio ladies, though the latter have a 100 per cent record.

The Mamak Tournament is staging but one match that between the Veteran and the 12th Batta R.A., and a military victory is almost assured.

To-day's Programme.

FOOTBALL			
FIRST DIVISION			
Navy	v. St. Joseph's	(Kowloon 4 p.m.)	
Club	v. Recreio	(Recreio 4 p.m.)	
Police	v. Lincolns	(Caroline Hill 4 p.m.)	
**Athletic	v. Borderers	(Club 4 p.m.)	
SECOND DIVISION			
Eastern	v. Club	(St. Joseph's 2.30 p.m.)	
Kowloon	v. St. Joseph's	(Kowloon 2.30 p.m.)	
Tsung Tsai	v. South China	(Caroline Hill 2.30 p.m.)	
Borderers	v. Navy	(Sookunpoo 2.30 p.m.)	
Athletic	v. Artillery	(Club 2.30 p.m.)	
Ewo	v. Lincolns	(Chatham Rd. 2.30 p.m.)	
THIRD DIVISION			
Signals	v. Borderers	(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)	
Recreio	v. St. Joseph's	(Recreio 2.30 p.m.)	
University	v. Athletic	(Athletic 2.30 p.m.)	
Radio	v. South China	(St. Joseph's 4 p.m.)	
*R.E.	(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)		
Talkoo	v. R.A.S.C.	(Athletic 4 p.m.)	

* postponed. ** postponed till Sunday.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

FIRST DIVISION				Goals	
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Artillery	10	8	0	2	25 15
South China	8	0	1	20	8 13
Lincolns	9	6	1	20	12 13
St. Joseph's	9	6	1	20	12 13
Borderers	9	6	1	3	32 11
Navy	9	4	0	15	18 9
Club	9	4	0	15	18 9
Athletic	7	2	3	8	21 10
Kowloon	11	3	0	8	22 20
Police	7	2	0	5	14 21
Recreio	0	0	0	9	8 57
SECOND DIVISION				Goals	
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Athletic	14	12	2	0	45 9
Borderers	13	11	0	2	42 18
Lincolns	18	9	2	4	41 18
Artillery	13	7	2	4	34 20
Navy	12	0	2	4	39 24
Ewo	13	8	2	5	40 18
South China	13	0	1	6	27 25
Tsung Tsai	18	4	8	6	24 34
Kowloon	11	3	1	7	29 31
Club	13	3	3	9	10 55
St. Joseph's	12	1	0	11	1 58
Eastern	11	0	0	11	5 59

THIRD DIVISION.

	Goals					
	P. W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Borderers	12	10	1	1	54	16
Lincolns	11	10	0	1	47	15
St. Joseph's	11	7	2	2	42	13
R.A.S.C.	11	7	1	3	35	11
Athletic	12	6	2	4	23	24
South China	12	6	1	5	19	23
Radio	11	6	0	5	22	25
R.A.F.	10	5	1	4	35	19
Signals	10	4	0	6	18	24
R. E.	11	4	0	7	21	31
Recreio	12	3	0	9	22	32
University	11	1	1	3	14	31
Talkoo	12	0	1	11	10	65

CRICKET

League I.	
Navy v. Civil Service	(King's Park 5 p.m.)
Craigengower v. Hong Kong C.C.	(Valley 2 p.m.)
League II.	
Hong Kong C.C. v. Craigengower	(H.K.C.C. 2 p.m.)
Civil Service v. Navy	(Valley 2 p.m.)
Recreio v. Kowloon C.C.	(King's Park 2 p.m.)
Friendlies	
University v. Indian R. C.	(Pokfulham 2 p.m.)
Kowloon C.C. v. Lincolns	(K.C.C. 2 p.m.)
Indian R.C. H. v. Police	(Sookunpoo 2 p.m.)

HOCKEY

Caer Clark Cup	
Recreio v. St. Andrew's	(Marina 3 p.m.)
Mamak Tournament	
R.A.M.C. v. 26th Batta R.A.	(Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)
Police v. University	(U.S.R.C. 4 p.m.)
Friendlies	
"Y" Ladies v. Y.M.C.A. "A"	(King's Park 3 p.m.)
Y.M.C.A. "A" v. Cheero Y.M.C.A.	(King's Park 4.10 p.m.)

HUNTING

Fanning Hunt Hounds Meet	(Lok Ma Chau Cross Rd. 3.15 p.m.)
RUGBY FOOTBALL	
Triangular Tournament	
Club v. Army	(Valley 4 p.m.)

SHOOTING

H.K. Rifle Club January competition	(Kowloon Tong 2.30 p.m.)
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BILLIARDS

Open Championship.	
C. Sinn v. F. Jones	(St. Patrick's Club 8.30 p.m.)

Probable Teams.

FOOTBALL	
St. Joseph's—Marquis; S. Souza, Gomes; Beltrao, Costa, Fernandes; L. Souza, Leong, A. V. Gosano, B. Gosano and Shbbin.	
Club—Rodger; Martin; Hynes; Skinner, Boyd, A. Duncan; Williams, Domin, S. Strange, E. Strange and Fowler.	
Police—Perkins; Blackburne, Downman, Minty, Channing, Brittain; Wheeler, T. Pile, Johnson, Stevens and C. Pile.	
R.A.S.—Combey; Allen; Taylor; Rodgers, Pardee, Harris; Wood, Gough, Bryant, Moore and Seal.	

RANGER'S FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION	
Birmingham	v. Everton
Bolton	v. Aston Villa
Chelsea	v. Hudders.

FIELD	
LEEDS	v. Blackburn
LEICESTER	v. Wolves
LIVERPOOL	v. NEWCASTLE
MIDDLESBRO	v. Manchester C.
PORTSMOUTH	v. Sheffield U.
WEDNESDAY	v. Derby
Sunderland	v. Arsenal
W. BROMWICH	v. Blackpool

SECOND DIVISION	
BRADFORD C.	v. Chesterfield
BUINLEY	v. Bradford
GRINLEY	v. Charlton
MANCHESTER	v. Southampton
MILLWALL	v. BURY
NOTTS C.	v. West Ham
OLDHAM	v. Notts F.
PORT VALE	v. Lincoln
Preston	v. PLYMOUTH
SWANSEA	v. Fulham

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
ACCRINGTON	v. New Brighton
CREWE	v. Darlington
Gateshead	v. HULL
MANCHESTER	v. BARROW
ROCHDALE	v. York
Rotherham	v. CHESTER
SOUTHPORT	v. Carlisle
SPOKESPORT	v. Doncaster
TRANMERE	v. Halifax
Walsall	v. Barnsley
WREKHAM	v. Hartlepool

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
ALDERSHOT	v. Crystal P.
BOURNEMOUTH	v. Clapton
BRIGHTON	v. WATFORD
BRISTOL R.	v. Gillingham
EXETER	v. Coventry
LUTON	v. Bristol C.
Newport	v. NORTHAMP.
NORWICH	v. Cardiff
Queen's P.R.	v. Southend
READING	v. Swindon
Torquay	v. BRENTFORD

SCOTTISH LEAGUE	
ABERDEEN	v. Motherwell
FALKIRK	v. Third Lanark
HAMILTON	v. Partick
HEARTS	v. St. Mirren
KILMARNOCK	v. Cowdenbeath
Morton	v. Celtic
QUEEN'S P.K.	v. Stirling
RAANGERS	v. Raith Rovers
ST. JOHNSTONE	v. Dundee

St. Joseph's—Marquis; Guest, Rahman; Antony, Reed, T. Leonard; Delgado, Souza, A. Ward, Omar and Santos.

R.A. H.—Holes; Ward, Leadbeater; Wroe, Greenshields, McDonald; Snook, Hardy, Preaton, Hopkins and Gibbons.

St. Joseph's H.—W. Lawrence; C. Thang, J. Ward; C. Rocha, R. Reed, E. Lawrence; T. Castilho, C. Santos, L. Castilho, Haroon and R. M. Azim.

Radio—U. B. Souza; Sheriff, Bowen; Bux, F. Elms, Markar; Hanib, Singh, Aycock, Leo, Tavares. Reserve—J. Tavares.

CRICKET

Civil Service—G. R. Sayer, J. E. Richardson, F. Barker, J. Barrow, F. J. de Rome, B. D. Evans, E. W. Hamilton, P. C. K. Hawkins, E. P. Reed, R. G. H.K.C.C.—A. W. Hayward, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. C. Beck, E. R. Duckitt, G. S. Dunkley, D. S. Harley, H. Owen Hughes, O. E. C. Marton, T. A. Pearce, A. Reid and C. B. R. Sargent.

K.C.C. H.—F. E. Lawrence, A. Dand, A. E. Perry, C. I. Stapleton, G. A. M. Hal, H. O'Connell, P. O. Dunn, R. J. V. Walker, A. E. F. Raven, J. Hunter, and G. Lee Reserve—D. S. Green.

C.S.C.C. H.—F. J. Ling, F. H. Holdman, N. J. Peabbling, E. F. Buttress, F. E. Matthews, J. F. McGowan, J. G. Filcher, S. Randle, R. G. Robertson, C. Strange and H. A. Strang.

CPA, R.E.T.A.O.I.N.U. v. U.N. NUNNU H.K.C.C. H.—C. E. Cahagan, A. K. Mackenzie, H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, R. R. Davies, L. D. Kilbee, H. J. D. Lowe, A. D. Lowson, R. S. W. Patterson, W. Stoker and C. A. Wright.

K.C.C.—F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, E. P. Fincher, J. C. Lysal, A. T. Lay, G. C. Burnett, W. C. Hung, M. A. E. Mackay, I. McInnes, F. S. W. Smith and G. White.

HOCKEY

"Y" Ladies—L. Carr; A. Fowler, C. Hamilton, M. Gardiner, M. Mason, E. Blumenthal, P. McGraw, R. Blackmore, S. Dalziel, M. Tillyard and O. Brown.

R.A.S.C.—W. E. Funnell; J. H. Jeffers, G. Whitley; E. V. Marshall, G. Buckland, A. G. Keene; P. J. Barlow, H. A. Tittle, P. H. Senior, C. A. W. Flood and H. G. Mayall.

St. Andrew's—R. Rose; P. Woolley, G. White; I. Woolley, M. White, E. Landolt; P. Gittens, M. Bryson, M. Woolley, N. Lee and M. Chan.

Recreio—A. Almada; C. Osmund, M. Basto; E. Xavier, M. Alves, E. Rosario; C. Botelho, C. Silva, O. Ribeiro, A. Alves and M. Remedios.

Sunday's Activities.

FOOTBALL	
Athletic	v. Borderers (Club 4 p.m.)
Artillery	v. South China (Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)
Talkoo	v. R.A.S.C. (Sookunpoo 4 p.m.)
HOCKEY	
Mamak Tournament	
Signals v. Incognitos	(Marina 10 a.m.)
Medway v. Incognitos	(Navy ground 3 p.m.)
Friendly	
Macao H. C. v. Y.M.C.A.	(in Macao)
RACING	
South Wales Borderers Gymkhana	(Kwail 2.30 p.m.)
SHOOTING	
H. K. Rifle Club January competition	(Kowloon Tong 10 a.m.)

STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING.

The following are the starting times of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club at Fanling to-morrow:—

Old Course.

9.20-9.24 a.m.—Not to be booked by travellers on 8.37 train.

9.28 a.m.—A. E. Lisaman, D. S. Edward.

9.32 a.m.—H. N. Plummer, H. B. Hampton.

9.36 a.m.—H. N. Williamson, L. D. Holmes.

9.40 a.m.—C. E. Sandstrom, K. K. Rounds.

9.44 a.m.—A. F. Hall-Thompson, J. P. Warren.

9.48 a.m.—G. H. Wilson, G. B. S. Thomson.

9.52 a.m.—R. C. Webb, A. MacFarlane.

9.56 a.m.—S. T. Butler, F. Lobel.

10.00 a.m.—H. R. Sturt, H. Davenport Brown.

10.04 a.m.—C. E. Robertson, E. W. Baber.

10.08 a.m.—T. A. Pearce, H. U. Ireland.

10.12 a.m.—W. A. Stewart, J. P. Sherry.

10.16 a.m.—J. MacKnight, L. C. Grover.

10.20 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys, C. Mycock.

10.24 a.m.—A. C. I. Bowker, R. K. Valentine.

10.28 a.m.—Major J. Wren, Dr. D. J. Valentine.

10.32 a.m.—Lt. H. C. Gould, J. K. Macfarlane.

10.36 a.m.—H. Spicer, E. M. Bryden.

10.40 a.m.—G. W. Reeve, H. G. Wallington.

10.44 a.m.—J. W. Jeffries, W. Pitton-drogh.

10.48 a.m.—A. H. Penn, V. R. Gordon.

10.52 a.m.—C. Blaker, W. E. S. Dent.

10.56 a.m.—L. Goldman, E. Grimbale.

11.00 a.m.—R. M. Henderson, G. W. Sewell.

11.04 a.m.—G. H. F. A. Redmond.

11.08 a.m.—H. H. Mundy, W. S. Hillier.

11.12 a.m.—Dr. C. H. Burton, A. Ritchie.

11.16 a.m.—G. R. M. Robertson, R. M. Giddy.

11.20 a.m.—H. Owen Hughes, F. Syme Thomson.

11.24 a.m.—C. W. May, M. N. Cochrane.

11.28 a.m.—J. R. Shrigley, A. L. Landabert.

11.32 a.m.—L. A. Calcraft, A. McEneaney.

Note: The General Committee have decided not to reserve any starting times after 11.30 a.m. Only the names of those who draw times up to 11.30 will appear in the above list.

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It does not matter how many points the good tennis player accedes. He will still pulverize an opponent who is not able to return his smashing deliveries or to serve up real winners himself. Much the same is true of other games... bowls, billiards and even darts!

At golf, however, one is often fighting one's opponent psychologically. One's real struggle is with the course, with conditions and with one's own temperament.

Providing players have a genuine handicap, it is almost more interesting to play a match against a player to whom one concedes, or from whom one receives a number of "shots."

One old Scotch professional used to say when asked to fix up a match, "You canna call it a match if you have to give more than three strokes." If this were a true statement of affairs, golf would be robbed of its greatest charm. Some of the best games we can remember have been those where a "third" or even a "half" has been conceded.

Golfing ability apart, it is quite a science in itself to be able to make the best use of the strokes one receives.

It is very easy to forget the value of the handicap when your "accher" opponent starts with three "birdsies" and your strokes seem of little avail.

Remember, however, that he cannot possibly have eighteen "birdsies" and that a "half" has been conceded.

show it. When the match becomes a tight one he is very conscious of the holes he has to give you at future holes. This is very liable to destroy his concentration at the hole then being played, or to make him crack by attempting an impossible "eagle" at a stroke hole. Look after the boy who has conceded three "birdsies" and the "birdsies" will look after themselves. That's a fine motto!

Appreciate how much a stroke is worth. The difference between trying to cover 450 yards in two wooden club shots, and doing the same distance with a drive, iron and mashie, is immense.

Don't get left to have to take a "half" with it, worse still, have to "take it" to bed with you.

Once upon a summer holiday, I had been playing a schoolboy, conceding him a stroke a hole with, on balance, very equal results. One morning he said, "I won't like to play you level to-day. If you will grant me 6 'boos'. For fun, the match was struck, but was not completed owing to the nervous tension. After two terrific 'boos' have raised the hair on your scalp, just as your club was on the top of the swing, you become too nervous to make a 'shot' at all."

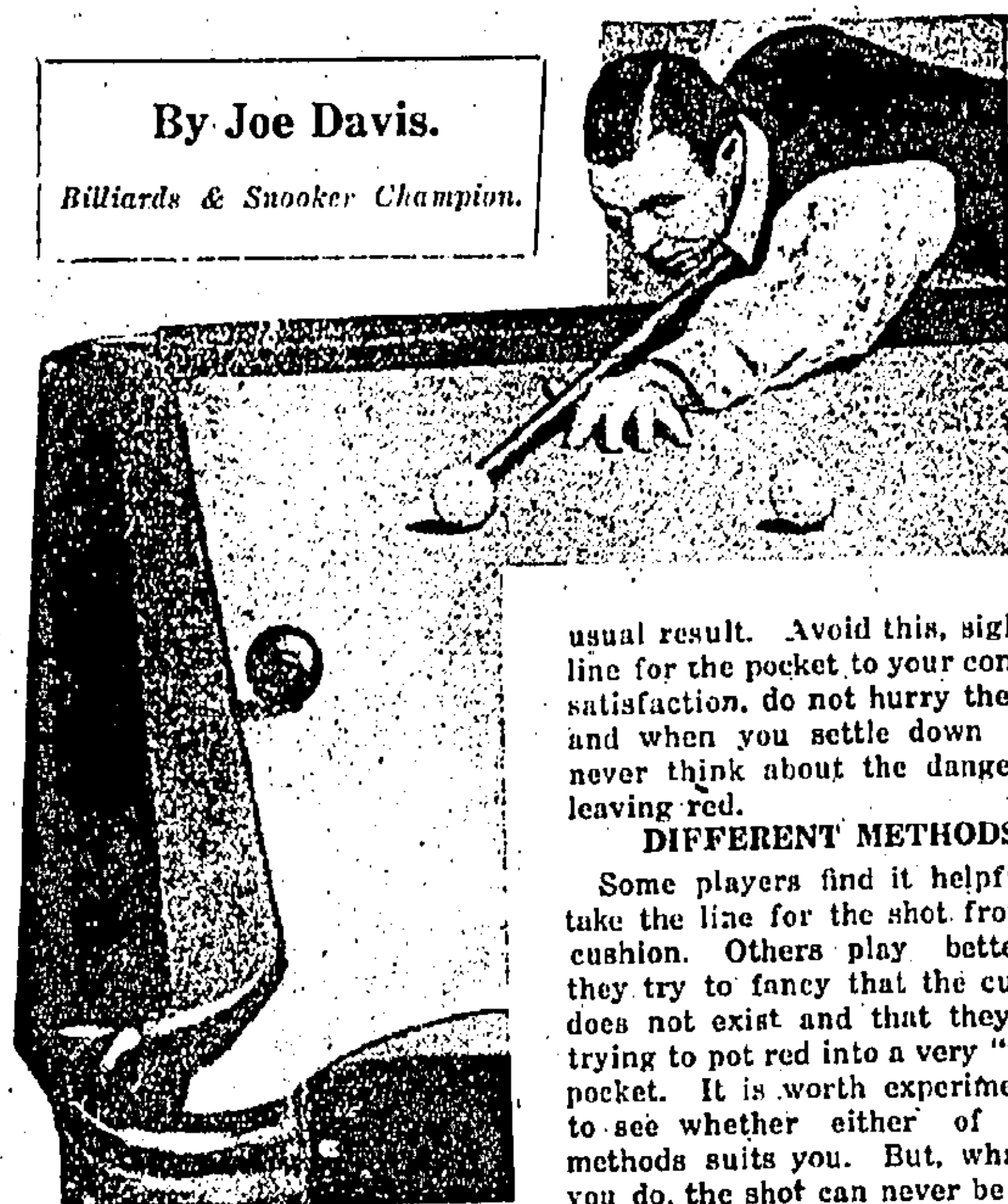
There is perhaps a lesson to be learned from this burlesque scheme of handicapping!—(China Mail copyright.)



POTTING ALONG THE TOP CUSHION

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usual result. Avoid this, sight the line for the pocket to your complete satisfaction, do not hurry the shot, and when you settle down to it never think about the danger of leaving red.

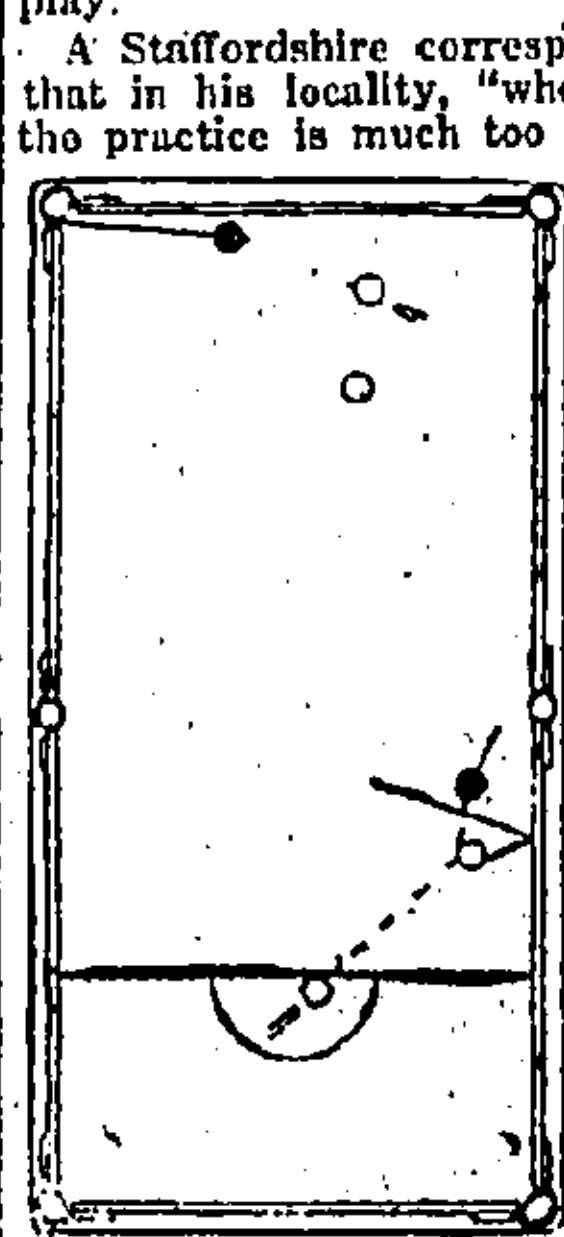
DIFFERENT METHODS

Some players find it helpful to take the line for the shot from the cushion. Others play better if they try to fancy that the cushion does not exist and that they are trying to pot red into a very "tight" pocket. It is worth experimenting to see whether either of these methods suits you. But, whatever you do, the shot can never be made an easy one or anything like it. Practise it diligently, and always treat it with the respect it deserves. Then, if you pot a ball at all well as a rule, you should master this bugbear of a shot.

The little positional cannon shown in the middle of my diagram is a good one to practise. Handled correctly it will take white out into mid-pocket position and leave red where you want it. A reader, just can do what you like with it. The common mistake is to play so that white is left too near the side cushion.

My post-bag is of exceptional in-bank from Paris, tells me that the French have rules which differ considerably from ours for snooker and volunteer snooker. Perhaps Mr. John C. Bisset, chairman of our Control Council, might feel inclined to explore the possibilities of uniformity.

Another reader, who has lived for years on the Continent, tells me that transmission side from the cue-ball to the object-ball is usual with the large balls in use abroad. I do not dispute this, but know that it never happens to me in my own play.



A Staffordshire correspondent says that in his locality, "when snookered, the practice is much too prevalent of making no genuine attempt to hit the ball, but to hit any ball with the cue, with the intention of breaking up good 'snookering' position." My decision on this is that if, in that case, the player is actually evading the rules, he is not playing. Alternatively, he can replace the balls and make the offender attempt to strike the ball "on".

F. C. (Leamington).—When "on" a red and having a "free ball" you can play any colour to "plant" a red because, for the time being, the colour equals a red. But you cannot play one colour on another in the same way when all reds are pocketed. The reason is because you must pocket the ball "on", and it is impossible to have two balls of the same colour, other than reds, "on" the table.

CANZONERI RETAINS TITLE

Tony Canzoneri, light-weight champion of the world, retained his title at Madison-square Garden, New York, where he defeated Billy Petrolle (North Dakota) on points over fifteen rounds before Canzoneri weighed 9st. 6lbs. and Petrolle 9st. 8½ lbs. Canzoneri, who won seven rounds to Petrolle's four, did not start too well, and his left check was cut to the bone in the early rounds. Canzoneri, however, had his man tottering round the ring in the last two rounds, and Petrolle's right eye was almost closed at the finish.

SMITH STANDS DOWN FROM "Y" TEAM

Lowe Completes Side For Macao.

"Y" FAVOURED TO WIN.

THE Y.M.C.A. are making one change in their hockey team to play against the Macao Hockey Club on the latter's ground tomorrow afternoon. F. S. W. Smith has strained a muscle in his leg and will be unable to play at right half back. H. J. D. Lowe, the Club player, is filling the vacancy, but will play on the left.

The following is the team: L. D. Skinner; A. Tate, E. O. Murphy; H. J. D. Lowe, D. McLellan (captain); R. A. Bates; G. H. Fowler; G. C. Burnett; W. J. Browne; G. A. Sommers and T. J. Price.

Referee: A. C. Jeffries. Browne, the "Y" centre-forward, is having a try-out this afternoon after a very quick recovery from a dislocated collar bone, and it is hoped that he will be fit for tomorrow's game in Macao.

Last year the Y.M.C.A., fielding a weaker eleven than to-morrow's combination, held the Macao team to a 3-2 defeat. This year Macao are below strength, though the presence of Lt. da Costa will bring out the best in the team. They have already played one local side, being defeated by 5 goals to 2 by the Radio Club, champions of the Mamak Tournament.

CLUB RUGBY TEAM.

The following is the Club Rugby team for to-day's Tournament game at the Valley at 4 p.m.—

J. P. Whitham; J. Ferguson; W. H. B. Rigg; N. M. McIntosh; G. P. Lammer; M. W. Turner; J. A. R. Selby; G. C. Moutrie; J. H. McElroy; S. H. Garrod; D. McLellan; I. H. Bradford; A. K. Munro; A. P. Hall-Thompson; and C. C. Miller.

Referee: Lt.-Comdr. H. W. Stephenson, R.N., the former Irish International.

Mamak Tournament

Parthian Improve Their Position.

In a Mamak Tournament hockey match yesterday afternoon, H.M.S. Parthian defeated the 8th Destroyer Flotilla by 2 goals to one. The ground was slippery and play was heavy going. McRae was responsible for both the Parthian's points.

Match Postponed.

The Mamak Tournament match between H.M.S. Parthian and St. Andrew's Club fixed for Tuesday, the 10th inst., has been postponed to a later date.

To-morrow's Games.

The following will represent H.M.S. Medway on Sunday against the K.I.T.C. at Causeway Bay.— Evans; Steers, Rhodes; Wisdom, Dunn, Hodge; Nosworthy, Robertson, Holmes, Lewis, Allen, Reserves. Birchley, Turf.

On Saturday, January 14, the Medway will meet the Incognitos at Marina No. 2 ground at 4 p.m.

Mamak Hockey Table

(Up to and including yesterday's games)

	P	W	L	D	P	A	Pts
Radio	13	12	0	1	54	8	25
R.C. Signals	15	11	2	2	52	15	24
1st Bty. H.K.S.	10	9	0	1	46	9	19
R.A.S.C.	15	7	5	3	20	21	17
Medway	14	6	3	5	28	15	17
St. Andrew's	10	7	2	1	38	11	15
Incognitos	7	7	0	0	27	3	14
Police	9	6	1	2	19	10	14
University	9	5	4	0	17	20	10
Phoenix	9	3	3	3	16	17	9
12th R.A.	9	4	4	1	16	13	9
R.E.	14	4	9	1	15	32	9
R.A.M.C.	14	2	7	5	8	15	9
Parthian	6	3	3	0	12	14	6
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15	6
Veteran	5	3	2	0	4	7	4
German Club	10	2	8	0	8	37	4
Tamar	1	7	2	10	24	4	4
24th R.A.	7	1	5	1	7	21	3
20th R.A.	7	1	5	1	3	15	3
R.A.O.C.	11	0	10	1	0	30	1
K.I.T.C.	12	0	11	1	6	47	1
8th Destroyers	3	0	2	1	4	7	1

ENGLAND'S OPPORTUNITY IN THE RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP

Plenty Of Talent From Which To Choose.

BY E. W. SWANTON.

AS we jostled our way through the departing crowds after the Calcutta Cup Rugby match last March, my companion remarked: "Well, thank goodness, we have found an English side which will last for years." And so perhaps it seemed. A young team, built up on the lessons of the previous matches; had played admirably, and the ancient foe had been not merely beaten but fairly and squarely trounced.

Unfortunately such theories do not work out so pleasantly in practice. We had indeed a splendid side last March. But form varies bewilderingly not only between but during the seasons, and there is the effect of injuries also to be considered. The foremost players are so nearly equal in merit that the value of each changes as he or his rival in the same position has a good match or a bad one.

England now has no such stand-bys as Wakefield, Davies, Kerr, Shaw, Lowe and Voyce. Hardly a single player is indispensable to the modern England team. I shall be surprised if more than seven or eight of the fifteen who defeated Scotland in the spring are seen in the team that plays Wales at Twickenham next January.

A VARIED CHOICE.

That, however, is not to say that it will necessarily be a poor one. English prospects are by no means unpromising. We have a choice between T. W. Brown and several quite promising aspirants to fame at full-back. At three-quarter back, among well-known players, the selectors may choose between D. W. Burland, A. L. Novis, J. A. Talbot, and R. A. Gerrard. And there can be no saying who else will be discovered in the trials.

The finding of wings is never a very difficult. Similarly there are several good scrumming half-backs, although perhaps none of outstanding excellence. The position at



outside half-back is less comforting, for J. R. Auty has had to cry off from to-day's match, and men like W. Elliott and C. Slow, unless they have made recent improvement, have too pronounced limitations in one direction or another to be really successful as makers of openings, which is their primary duty.

Auty, if he recovers from an injury, or Tallent, if he can accustom himself to the position after being a centre for so long, seem at present to be our brightest hopes.

R. G. S. Hobbs, alas! has gone abroad, but men like N. L. Evans, C. Webb and G. G. Gregory remain to form the nucleus of what should be a good scrumming force. It may be noted, changes less rapidly where forwards are concerned.

NOT SO BRIGHT.

None of the other three countries seems quite so happily placed as England at the moment, although this may be altered by the time the International season is begun. Wales seem to have scrapped any notion of relying on last year's side, or so one deduces from the teams for to-day's match at Cardiff.

In 1930 Wales certainly were a formidable side, but the same men never got over their unexpected defeat by the South Africans last December, writes E. W. Swanton in *The Evening Standard*. Although the selectors stuck to them almost *en bloc* for the remaining matches, it was obvious after the defeat by Ireland had finally dashed Welsh hopes of retaining the championship outright, that many of the Welsh players had come to the end of their careers as Internationals.

Still, with Cardiff in such con- vincing form, it cannot be said that Welsh prospects are unfavourable. Blackheath have been playing excellent football this season. Yet they were very nearly outclassed on their recent visit to Cardiff. If Wales are wise they will make the Cardiff team the nucleus of their side and give A. R. Ralph and the three-quarter backs a player like M. J.

FIRST SOCCER INTERPORT TRIAL

Wong Mei-shun And Duncan Reserves.

HILL AS LEADER.

The Interport Sub-Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association have selected the team for the first Interport trial game, which will be played on Thursday, January 12, on the Club ground at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.

The following are the selected players who will play against either a Combined Services or a Combined Chinese eleven:

Rodger (Club); Allen (R.A.), Strange (Club); Leung Wing-chui, Pardoe (Captain) (R.A.), S. Blas (Kowloon); B. Gosano (St. Joseph's); A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's); Hill (Kowloon); Blake (Kowloon) and Baldry (Borderers). Reserves: Blackburn (Police), A. Duncan (Club) and Wong Mei-shun (South China).

DATES FOR THE 1934 TESTS.

The board of control of Test matches at home, meeting at Lord's recently, arranged the dates and grounds for the Test matches with Australia in 1934 as follows:

At Nottingham, June 8, 9, 11, 12; at Lord's, June 22, 23, 25, 26; at Manchester, July 6, 7, 9, 10; at Leeds, July 20, 21, 23, 24; at the Oval, August 13, 20, 21, 22.

The final Test, at the Oval, will be played to a finish subject to the conditions contained in the Australian proposal, to which M.C.C. agreed, i.e., that neither side has won two matches or if the results are equal.

One trial match will be played in 1934—England v. The Rest, at Lord's, on June 2, 4, 5.

Arrangements for the matches with the West Indies next season were made, and the price of admission to Test matches was fixed at 2s., tax inclusive.

H.K. SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

Last Night's Meeting Of Delegates.

ERIC RAILTON OPTIMISTIC.

The special meeting called by Messrs. E. W. Railton and Mr. Mok Hing-kwai to discuss the re-organization of the Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association or the formation of a new Association took place yesterday evening at the Lane, Crawford Private Tea room.

The meeting was a great success, and there is every prospect of the formation of a new association, for which another special meeting is being called in a fortnight's time.

Mr. Railton told the *China Mail* last night after the meeting that in his opinion the organization of a new association is now almost a certainty.

Turnbull to provide an attacking service from the scrumming.

BRILLIANCE, BUT—

One hears the gloomiest reports concerning the standard of football in Ireland, and a certain pessimism is certainly borne out if Trinity College (Dublin), who recently played matches in England against Cambridge and London Irish without setting the Thames on fire, really are the outstanding team.

Lausdovne and the Wanderers both are said to have indifferent teams. But the way in which Irish teams of quite ordinary players rise to the occasion is traditional, and they at least have four men who would find their way without question into a combined British team. E. W. F. de V. Hunt and S. L. Walde form the best wing in the four countries, and G. R. Beamish and the Rev. V. J. Pike are inspiring leaders for any pack.

The selectors who seem to have the most difficult job are those of Scotland. Their team showed poorly at Twickenham last year, and B. R. Tod, by all accounts the outstanding half-back of whom they have been in need for several years, has gone abroad before being officially recognised.

JAN WINS PROTEST AGAINST JOSS

CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS

PRESENTATION TO J. F. KELSALL THIS AFTERNOON

ANKER YACHTS FOR INTERPORT.

(By Captain Cuttle).

THE two protest cases Joss v Jan and Jan v Joss, which arose during the "A" class 2nd Championship Race on November 26, have at last been settled after three meetings of the Sailing Committee at which the evidence available was very carefully considered.

The result of each protest has now been given in favour of Jan (Mr. J. Krogh-Moe). It is therefore possible now to assess the points gained up to date by the Anker yachts after sailing 5 races of their Championship Series, the total races in the series being 9 points gained so far are as follows:

Jan (J. Krogh-Moe)	48
Wasp II (Major Thoyts & Mayor Griffin)	39
La Linda (A. L. Shields)	31
Carpetner (H. S. Rouse)	26
Artemis (Commander Newill)	26
Isobel (Commander Cowland & Darls)	25
Joss (K. Larsen & Stanton)	23
Gull (B. Naess)	23
Cicada (N. V. A. Croucher & C. C. Blake)	20
Oslo (M. Bergaust)	17

Joss did not sail in one race and was disqualified in another which accounts for her low position in the scale.

THE Sailing Programme for the rest of the season will be published early next week. The first official race on the list is the 5th Ladies Championship for "A" class yachts on Monday Jan. 9, but an informal race, round Stonecutters Island, starting and finishing at the Clubs, will be held on Saturday Jan. 7.

THIS afternoon the Commodore (Mr. A. L. Shields) will take the opportunity of making a presentation on behalf of the club to the Chief Yeoman of the Signals J. F. Kelsall R.N. who is due to sail for England next week. Mr. Kelsall has acted for the past two years as Official Time keeper for club races, a post which calls for concentration and coolness both when boats are crossing the line in a bunch together, and also when the intricacies of handicapping figures are being elucidated at the end of a race.

THE next race on the Programme is the 6th Championship for Racing Yachts on Saturday Jan. 14, while on Sunday Jan. 15 the return match Navy v Club will be sailed for the Froisher Cup.

The 4th Cruiser Championship Race is down for Sunday Jan. 22 and on Thursday & Friday Jan. 26 and 27 (Chinese New Year Holidays) the Interport Sailing matches, Hong Kong v Shanghai, will take place.

THE Interport matches will be sailed in Anker Yachts, the owner or his representative sailing as pilot in addition to the helmsman and yacht boy. There will be an Interport team race for the Grist Shield each morning and afternoon of Tuesday and Friday: four races in all. If the Shanghai team can remain longer in Hong Kong the helmsmen may act as crew for their pilots in a special race on Saturday afternoon and also sail if they wish in the 5th Cruise Championship on Sunday.

THERE are no Presented Cup Races in this season's programme, but a Consolation Race instead. The Presented Cup Races were formerly for cups presented by the winners of a Championship Series for the remainder of the less fortunate and skilful. In effect they were a form of Consolation Cup—the prize being put up by the championship winner. Now Consolation prize will be put up by the Club.

THERE is provision for three Corinthian Races in the Season's programme, and a prize will be given for the best aggregate points over the three races. The Sailing Committee obviously wish to encourage this form of amateur yacht racing with no paid hands on board, and it is rumoured that next year a Corinthian Championship Series will be sailed.

AS forecasted in these notes last week the rumour regarding another Anker yacht on the stocks was perfectly correct. The secret of the yacht was well kept for she was built as a surprise Christmas present and her present owner, Mr. H. S. Rouse, had not the least inkling that he would wake to find an Anker yacht in his Christmas stocking.

The new yacht A II is to be named "True Blue" but will not, however, be ready to race in the Championships this season.

YACHTSMEN are pleased that two small beacons have been erected on the extremities of the underwater rocks of Channel Rocks, which has been a turning point on the Yacht Club courses for many years. At certain states of the tide, helmsmen who have cut the corner too finely, have bumped alarmingly on the underwater rocks. This has often caused damage to the keel, and, incidentally, much delay in the races. The Sailing Secretary (Mr. G. H. Gandy) has opened a dollar fund to defray the cost of erection, and yachtsmen who approve of the new scheme are invited to subscribe.

THE new Anker class of on-deck sign yachts of the Yacht Club Squadron, conform closely with the dimensions for the creation of a new small class, which is being fully considered by a Special Committee at Home. The approximate dimensions of the new type of yacht are: length over all 30 to 33 feet, sail area 233 square feet, displacement 3,700 lbs. If the local Anker boats raced at Home they might rate quite tolerably near the limits of the new class.

The permanent committee of the International Yacht Racing Union, which had not met since January, 1931, held a meeting at the Royal Thames Yacht Club recently. The members of the committee are:

Sir William Burton (chairman), Capt. R. T. Dixon and Mr. Clark Neil (representing Great Britain), Count D'Albertis (Italy), Mr. Anker (Norway), Sir Rolf Heidenstam (Sweden), Mr. Loeff (representing Belgium and Holland), Herr Laeisz (representing Germany), and Major B. Heckstall Smith (secretary).

RUGBY UNION'S REPLY TO PLYMOUTH ALBION.

Flood-Lighting Banned.

London, Dec. 7.

Plymouth Albion received official notification from the Rugby Union that permission would not be granted for a match by flood-light.

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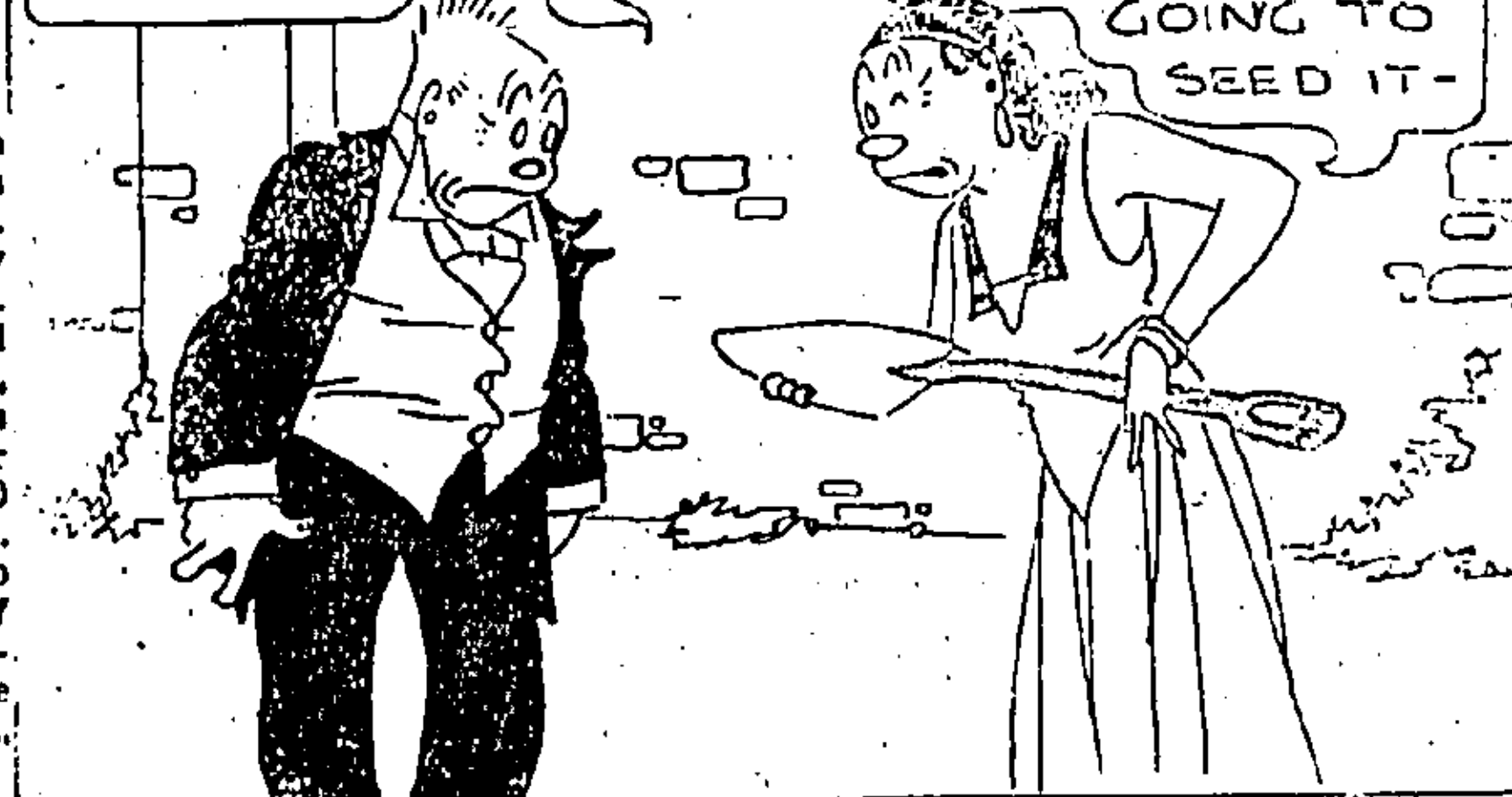
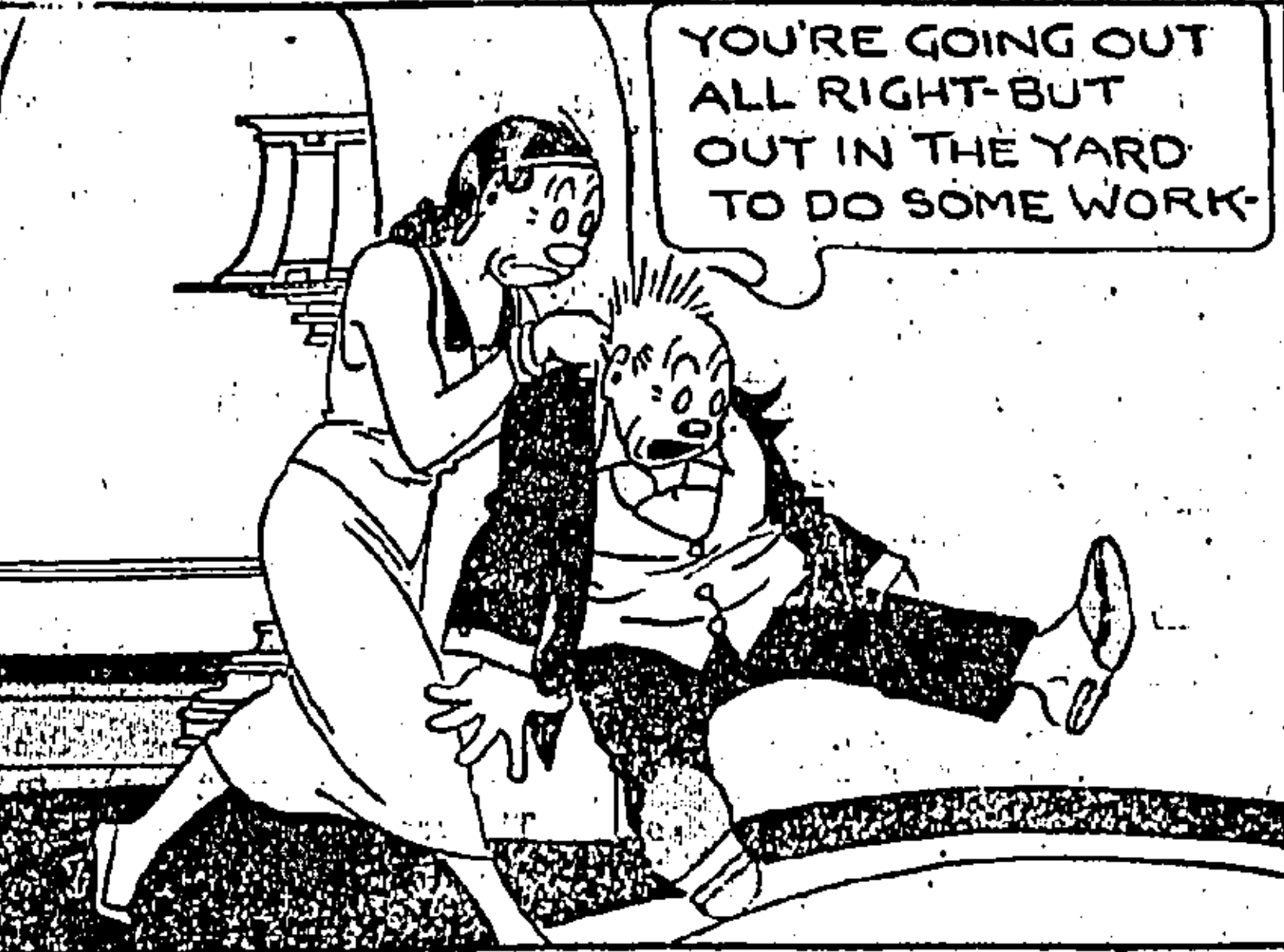
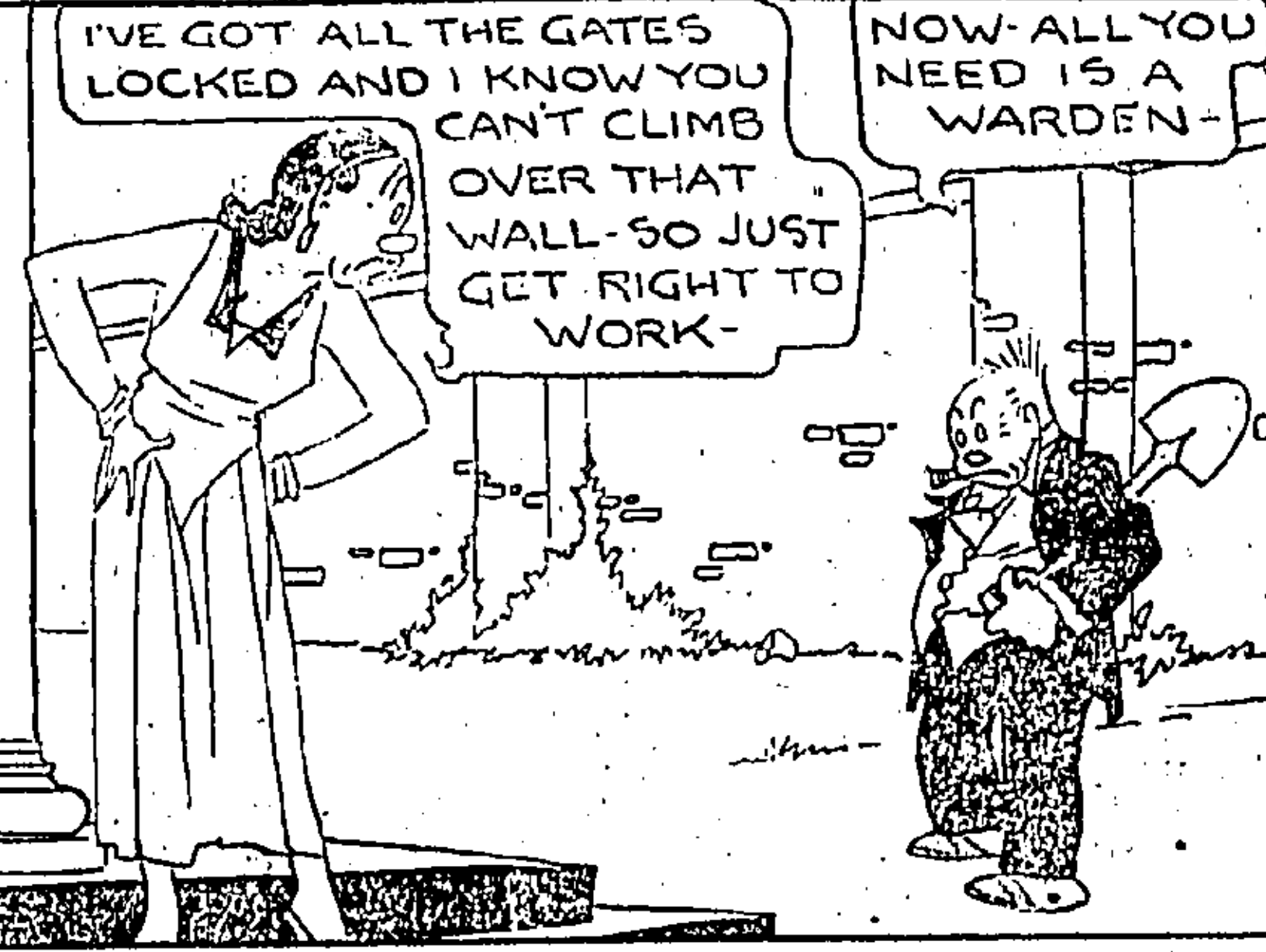
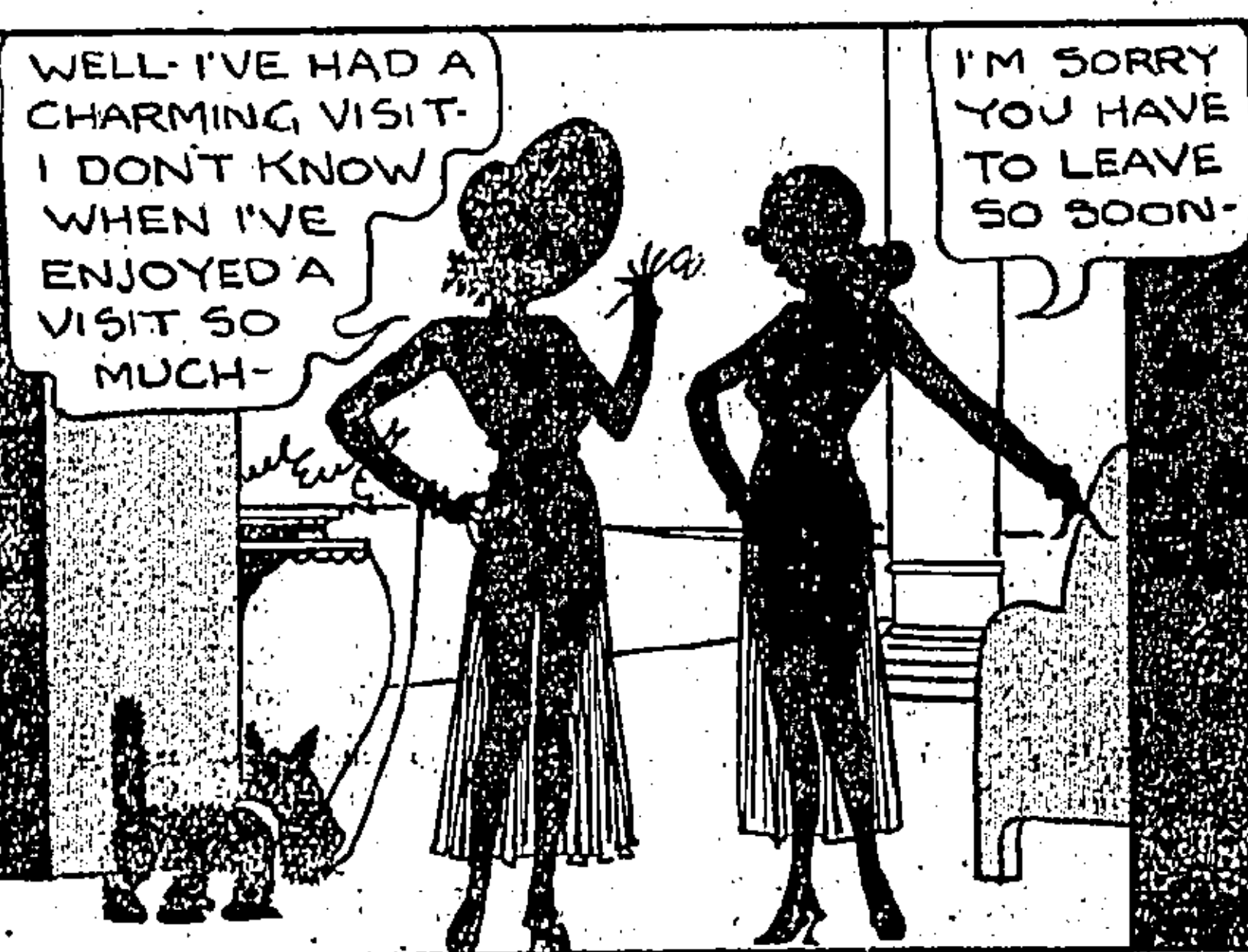
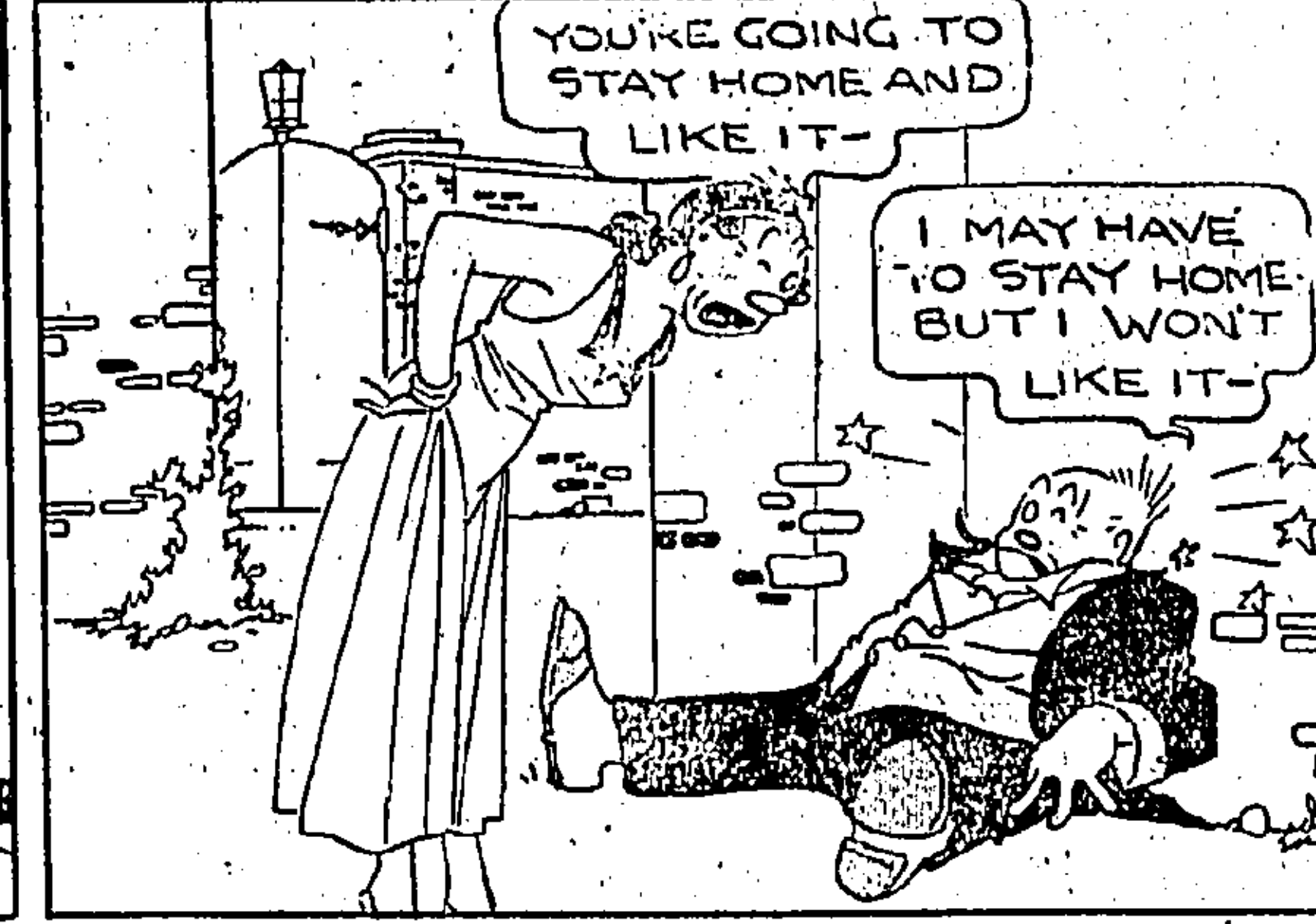
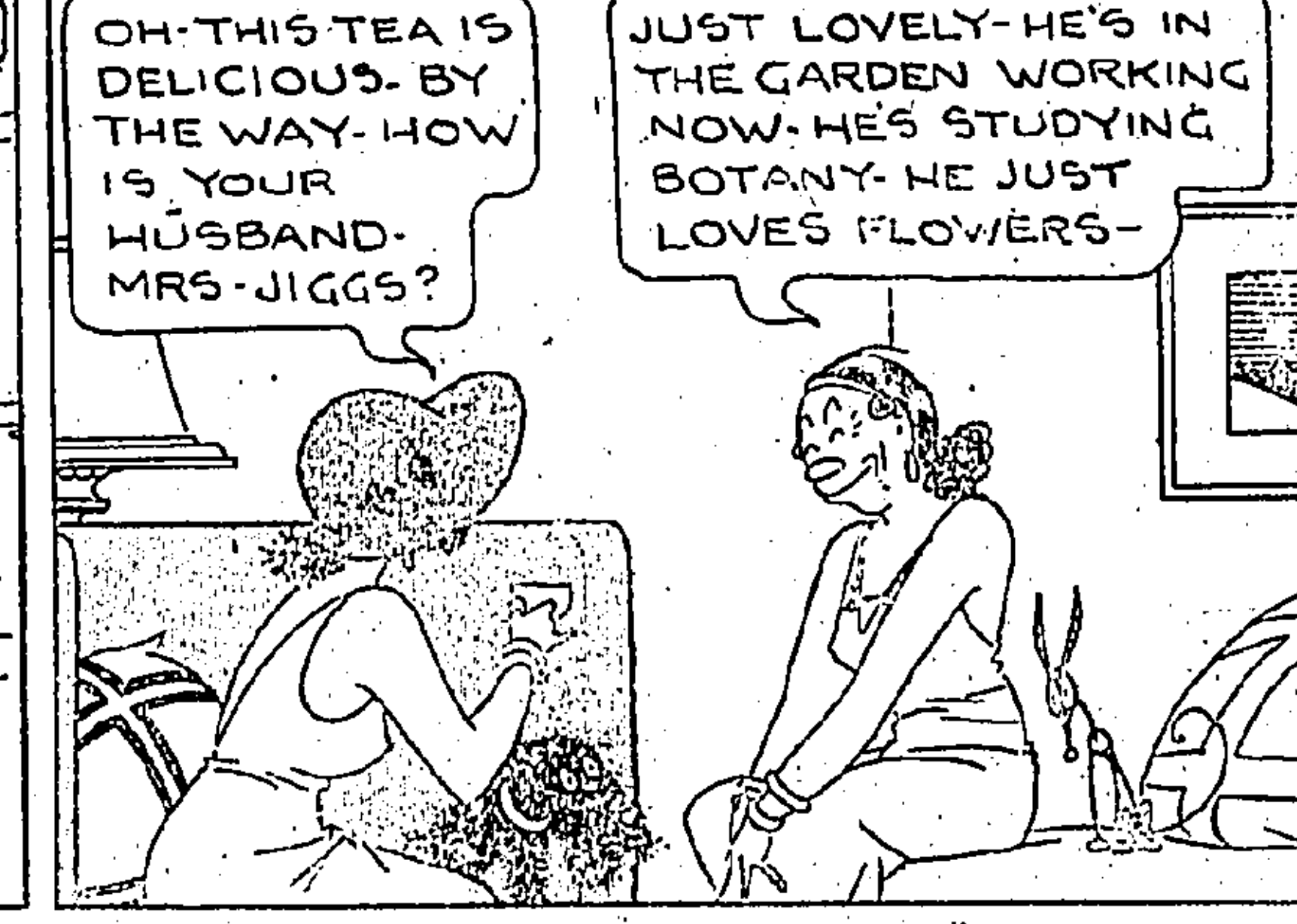
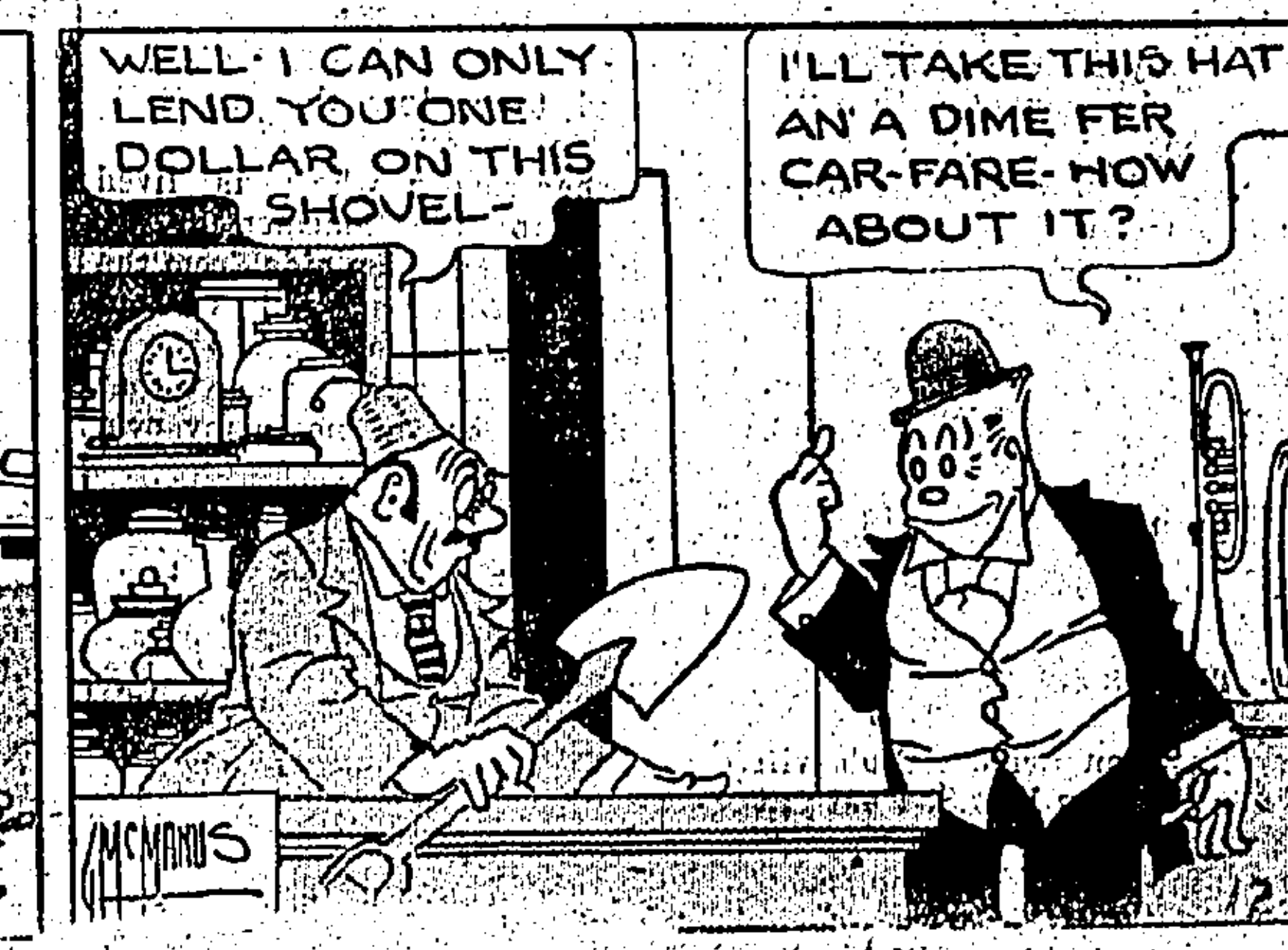
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Talkoo Sanatorium	1,600
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (alterbeds)	297
Mainland	
Talmoshan	3,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

ALL RIGHT-CLANCY-I'LL GIT OUT SOME-
HOW-I'VE GOT TO GIT HOLD OF CAR-FARE
FIRST- TELL THE GANG TO WAIT-I WON'T
BE LONG IN SNEAKIN' OUT- YOU KNOW
ME-WHERE DID YOU GIT THAT
SPADE? I WISH I'D HAD
ONE IN THAT CARD GAME
LAST NIGHT.SHUT UP-I WANT
YOU TO DIG UP
ALL THE SOIL IN
THE YARD- I'M
GOING TO
SEED IT-BY GOLLY-MAGGIE
THINKS SHE'S
CLEVER- THE ONLY
CLEVER THING SHE
EVER DID WUZ TO
MARRY ME-YOU'RE GOING OUT
ALL RIGHT-BUT
OUT IN THE YARD
TO DO SOME WORK-I'VE GOT ALL THE GATES
LOCKED AND I KNOW YOU
CAN'T CLIMB
OVER THAT
WALL- SO JUST
GET RIGHT TO
WORK-NOW- ALL YOU
NEED IS A
WARDEN-WELL- I'VE HAD A
CHARMING VISIT.
I DON'T KNOW
WHEN I'VE
ENJOYED A
VISIT SO
MUCH-I'M SORRY
YOU HAVE
TO LEAVE
SO SOON-GREAT HEAVENS-
HE HAS TUNNELED
UNDER THE WALL
AND ESCAPED -YOU'RE GOING TO
STAY HOME AND
LIKE IT-I MAY HAVE
TO STAY HOME
BUT I WON'T
LIKE IT-OH- THIS TEA IS
DELICIOUS- BY
THE WAY- HOW
IS YOUR
HUSBAND-
MRS- JIGGS?JUST LOVELY- HE'S IN
THE GARDEN WORKING
NOW- HE'S STUDYING
BOTANY- HE JUST
LOVES FLOWERS-SHE'S RATHER NICE-
BUT A BIT CATTY-
WELL- I WONDER
HOW JIGGS IS
GETTING ALONG
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ROUND THE CAMP FIRE

(By Patrol Leader.)

News of local Scouts abroad is
arduous journey, were as fit as fiddle!
Scout Dick Branch is now
a second Patrol Leader in New
Zealand, where his family is now
residing. He is also doing well in
boxing. His father, Capt. Branch
is a keen follower of the Scouts
movement. Meanwhile, Troop Leader
John Miller, formerly of the
1st Kowloon, is completing his
studies in Latvia. He hopes to en-
ter the mercantile marine.Ralph Phillips, of the 9th Kow-
loon Dock Scottish, accompanied by
D. Blake, of the Central British
School, walked around the Colony
on Tuesday. They completed the
course in five hours, commencing at
2 p.m. and finishing just on 7
o'clock that night. Both were clad
in khaki, and at the end of theirThe Scout and Girl Guides were
well represented at the Enthronement
service of the Rt. Rev. R. Owen
Hall in St. John's
Cathedral last Friday afternoon.
H. E. Sir William Peel, Chief Scout
of Hong Kong, Lady Peel, Colony
President of the Guides, the Hon.
Dr. R. H. Kotewall, President of
the Scouts Association, were among
the distinguished congregation,
while the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave,
Commissioner was among the
Clergy in the procession.Sir Edmond Elles, Boy Scout
County Commissioner for Surrey,
has resigned. However, fast we
try to go, Old Father Time over-takes us in the end" states the
Chief Scout of the World, is an-
nouncing the resignation.Sir Edmond has held this position
with energy and great distinction
ever since the Scout Movement
became properly organised into
county units, soon after its incep-
tion in 1908.Sir Edmond was 84 last June
But even so, he will not give up all
his Scout work. One post in which
he excels, unknown to almost every
member of the Scout Movement, is
that of adviser to "B.P." on the
awarding of Scout decorations for
gallantry.He has filled this position, for
which his scrupulous fairness,
tact, and judgment, particularly fit
him, for very many years, and
never has one of his awards been
questioned.BOY SCOUTS' ANNUAL
MEETING AND CONFERENCESIt has been decided to hold the
Annual General Meeting of the
Boy Scouts' Association and the
County Commissioners' Conferenceon Friday, January 27. The Com-
missioners' Dinner will be held on
the same evening and the Confer-
ence of County Secretaries the
next day.

GIRL GUIDE NOTES.

A word of congratulations to all
local Girl Guides who were suc-
cessful in the recent examinations
of the Hong Kong University
And to those who failed there is
the consolation to try again!It will interest Guides to know
that a party of Girl Guides appear
in "The Love Contract" at the Cen-
tral Theatre. They perform phys-
ical jerks in which they are ac-
companied by the star himself
Winifred Shotter.

SOAP SCULPTURE

Immortalising camp pets by
carving them in soap appeals to
many girls. One exhibit of this
soap sculpture showed a "crow"
three dogs and 20 local birds.
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of Veterinary Surgeons, is now
giving his services to the Ameri-
can Government.Dr. Hassall, who has worked
with the United States Depart-
ment of Agriculture for the past
45 years, has just reached the re-
tiring age of seventy. However, he
still goes twice a week from his
home in Maryland to his old labo-
ratory, twenty miles away, where
he has acted as assistant chief of
the Zoological Division of the Bur-
eau of Animal Industry.The eminent scientist was gra-
duated from the London Veteri-
nary College in 1886, and went to
America the following year.
He is compiling a valuable cata-
logue of medical and veterinary
zoology, the only one of its kind
in the world, which is considered
indispensable for the study of
parasites.

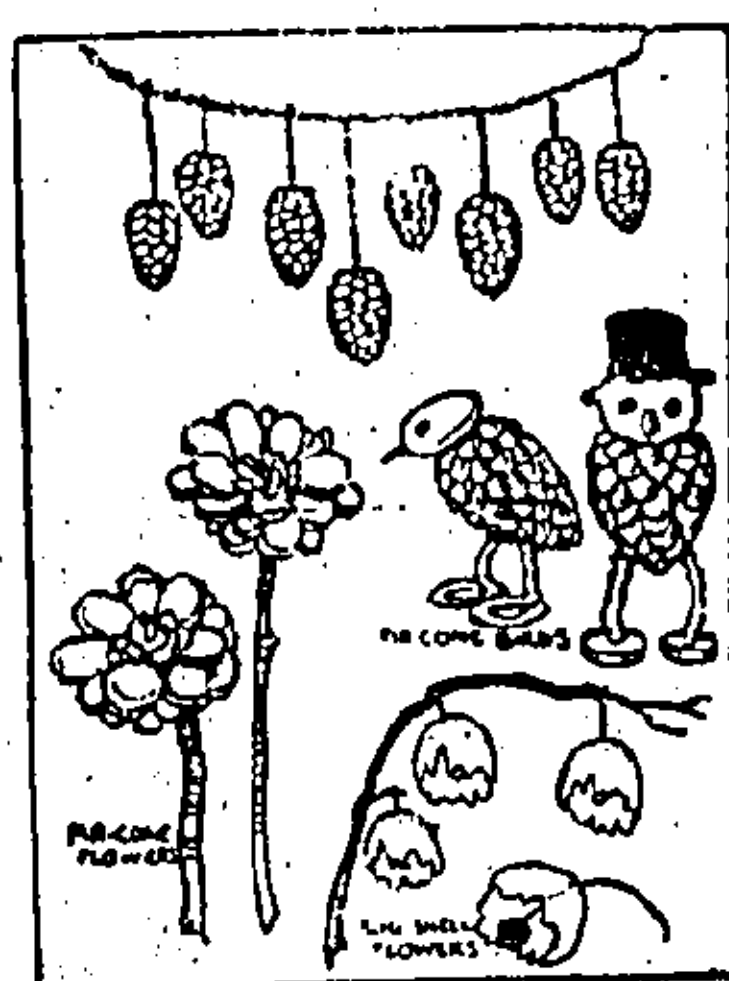


WENDY HUT.

DECORATIONS FOR "PARTY TIME."

Of course you will like to make your own decorations for your Festive Party, and I thought you'd like to hear about some we're doing ourselves in the Wendy Hut, so here goes.

Collect as many fir-cones as you can. If you hang a whole lot on a cord and paint them with aluminium paint, they make a lovely hanging garland. Fix each cone to a string about three inches long, and tie the strings to the long cord that is to form your garland. Vary the fir-cone-strings a little, so that they all hang at slightly different levels. If you like, you can paint the cones in gay colours—red, yellow, and blue. We're doing garlands of both kinds in the Hut. Extra large fir-cones can be turned into all sorts of funny



Pretty decorations from fir-cones and eggshells! The Hut Folk explain how they are made.

animals and birds, and even people. In the picture I show you some the Goblin Artist has drawn for you. The limbs can be suggested with pipe-cleaners, or wire, and acorns can be glued on for heads! If you put a cone into hot water for a few minutes, you can bend out the sections more easily, and so obtain different shapes.

Another way of making attractive decorations is to take the flat-test-shaped cones you can find, soak them in hot water, and flatten the sections even more, so that they look like big flowers. Then fix them to twigs, and when they're painted with bright enamels they look really splendid. A vase of these "flowers" will make a lovely present for Mother; they brighten up a dark corner and look cheerful for a long time. You can get little tins of bright coloured enamel for twopenny, and one tin will do for many flowers.

Tink, too, has made some dainty decorations from empty eggshells! She got Cook to save them for her, washed them carefully, on them before the paint was quite dry so that they glistened prettily.

(Continued at foot of preceding Column).

THE RING OF POLYCRATES.

The story of the emerald ring belonging to Polycrates is said to be true, and it lives in history as one of the most amazing events of the past.

Polycrates was King of Samos, and he was so fortunate that even his enemies were afraid to displease him. Everything he did turned to his advantage, and he was wealthy, happy, and honoured, as the most fortunate man living.

Now Polycrates always wore a magnificent emerald ring which he used as a seal, and he treasured this ring above all his possessions. Everybody knew of it, and the fame of its beauty spread far and wide.

When Polycrates was at the height of his prosperity, Amasis, King of Egypt, who was his ally, came to see him, and was so disturbed at the amazing good fortune of his friend that he advised him to sacrifice something he loved in order to show the gods that he was grateful. Polycrates felt anxious, and, after much thought, he determined to sacrifice his beautiful emerald ring.

So one day, with Amasis and a number of nobles, Polycrates walked down to the sea, and threw his treasure into the water. But he missed his emerald, and when he looked at his hand he sighed. A few days after the sacrifice, however, he was sitting at table with Amasis when a fish was set before him. And, as Polycrates divided the fish, he came upon his magnificent emerald ring!

Such amazing luck terrified Amasis, who immediately broke off the alliance and went home. Then the enemies of Polycrates thought the gods would not accept his sacrifice, and they made war upon him. Alas! Polycrates was taken prisoner and killed, because he was considered too fortunate to live.

PERCY THE POLAR BEAR.

It was Percy Polar Bear's first hunting expedition, and he was determined to do the very best he could.

"Don't worry, father," he said to Mr. Polar Bear, "I'll bring home a nice fat seal for supper!"

And away he went, feeling secure in his white coat that rendered him almost invisible on the snow-covered ground. Very soon he came to the sealing grounds. But, although he did everything he could think of—from keeping very quiet and cautiously stalking his prey, to bellowing and snarling in a terrifying manner—he couldn't capture even a baby seal.

Suddenly he saw that his father had followed him, and was at that moment crouching behind a mound of snow watching a fine seal. As Percy looked, his father motioned him to cover up his nose.

"Father's a little mad, I think," muttered young Percy. But he did as he had been told and kept quite still. "Surely he isn't afraid of a silly seal!"

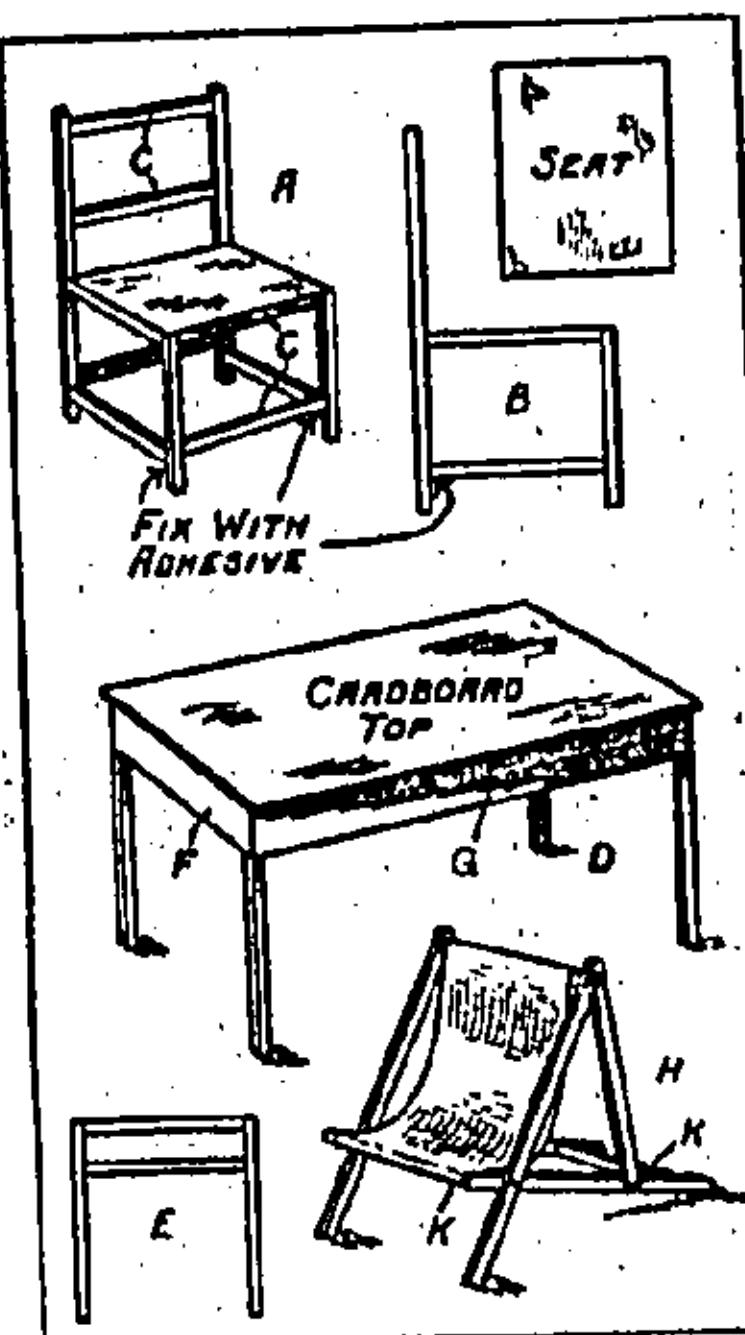
A little later, the seal was cap-

THE TINKITES' TOYSHOP.

Doll's House Furniture.

This week I want to tell you how to make doll's house furniture from matchsticks, pins, and thin pieces of cardboard.

To make the little chair shown in the first diagram, take six matchsticks and cut four of them into halves with a sharp penknife. Arrange one whole matchstick and three of the halves as shown in diagram B, and fix them together with a very little glue. This is one side of the chair frame. Now make the other side exactly like it. The cross-rails, C, are also half-matchsticks, fixed in place with glue. For the seat, cut a piece, the required size from a thick plain postcard, and stick it on to the frame.



Doll's House furniture made from matchsticks, cardboard and pins. Carpenter tells you how!

To make the table, shown in diagram D, glue four matchsticks together, as at E, to form one pair of legs. Then stick four more together for the other pair of legs. Now cut two strips, F, from stiff card; and two more, G, which should be about twice the length of strips F. Glue these to the legs. For the table top, cut a piece of card large enough to overlap the side strips F and G by about one-eighth of an inch, and stick it in place.

For the little deck chair, you will require nine matchsticks. For each side frame, take two full length sticks and one about half an inch shorter, and join these together with tiny pins, as shown in diagram H. The pointed ends of the pins can be cut off with an old pair of scissors. Now from two matchsticks, cut two pieces, one and a half inches long, for the cross-bars K, K, and stick them in place. Glue on the top cross bar, which is a slightly shorter matchstick. Finally, make the seat from a strip of coloured paper on very thin linen.

Many other pieces of doll's furniture can be made from these simple materials. After the glue has set hard, you can get busy with your paintbox and brush, and make the woodwork look like oak or mahogany.

The Hut Carpenter.

tured and killed with one blow of a mighty paw. Then Mr. Polar Bear explained to his son that all polar bears cover up their noses with their paws, so that the little black snouts cannot be detected by the sharp-eyed seals.

"Oh!" said Percy, "So THAT's why I couldn't get near enough to a seal to catch it?"

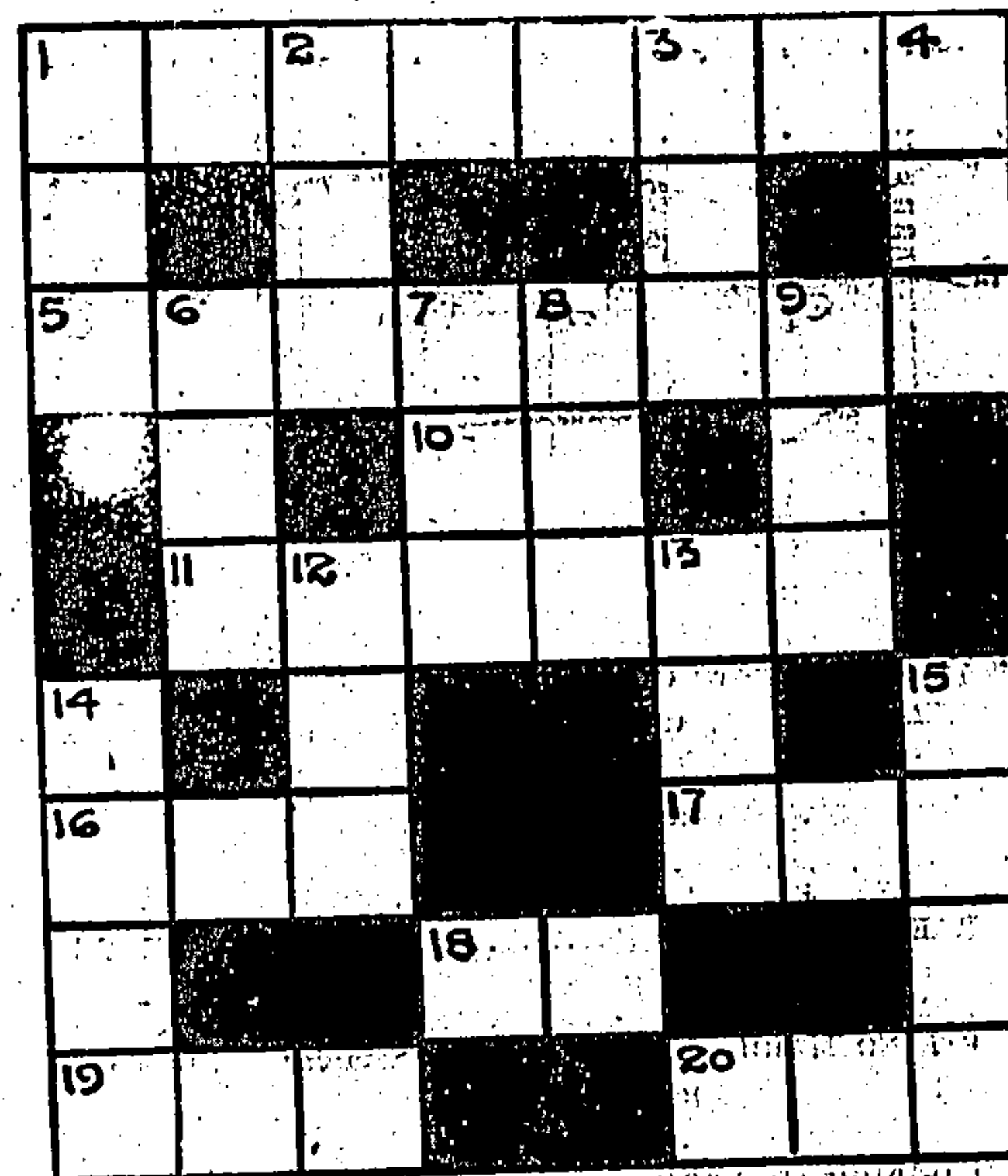
His father nodded. All these bears cover their noses when hunt-

TINK'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

Solution to last week's puzzle:—

- Across.
2. . . . in Boots (Puss).
 5. A meadow (Lan).
 6. O' my Thumb (Hop).
 7. Where the "old woman" lived (Shoe).
 8. Dick Whittington and his (Cat).
 10. Girl's name (Eva).
 12. Compass point (ENE).
 13. Tap (Pat).
 14. Meaning "first class" (AI).
 16. Royal lady who usually appears in Fairy Tales (Princess).
 17. You (Ye).

- Down.
1. in Wonderland (Alice).
 2. What the covering for the pie was made of (Paste).
 3. What Little Bo-peep lost (Sheep).
 4. Jack could eat no fat (Sprat).
 9. Wrathful (Angry).
 11. Perhaps Cinderella danced this dance with the Prince (Valse).
 14. Some (Any).
 15. Frozen water (Ice).
- The little puzzle we did last week, with some Nursery Rhyme and Fairy Tale names in it, seemed popular. So we'll have another this week.



Here are the clues:—

WENDY'S LITTLE COOKS.

Rich Sultana Biscuits.

For these you will require a quarter of a pound of butter, a quarter of a pound of granulated sugar, two eggs, a teaspoonful of sultanas, and some self-raising flour.

Wash the sultanas and put them to dry on a plate before the fire, but take care that they do not actually cook.

Cream the butter in a warm basin, using a wooden spoon. Beat the eggs and sugar together till they form a good froth, mix this with the butter, add the sultanas, and gradually sift in enough flour to make a fairly stiff paste. Roll this paste on a floured board, cut into biscuits with the top of a glass, prick each one with a fork, and

- Across.
1. "Mary, Mary quite"
 6. He was a friend of the original Wendy and Tinkerbell (two words).
 10. French for "the" (feminine).
 11. "Humpty sat on a wall."
 16. A monkey.
 17. A cow's cry.
 18. The thing.
 19. Kith and
 20. Kind of fairy.
- Down.
1. You drink from it.
 2. Negative word.
 3. A high mountain.
 4. Short for "yonder."
 6. Termination.
 7. A tree.
 8. Tap.
 9. Some.
 12. Employ.
 13. Thumb.
 14. The giant-killer.
 15. What Red-riding Hood met.

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WELL, IT'S NOUSE, CALLING UP ROSIE—I PHONED HER SIX TIMES YESTERDAY AND TWICE THIS MORNING—SHE WON'T TALK TO ME. OH, WELL, I'M NOT GOING TO THINK OF HER ANYMORE.



REALLY? WELL, MY ROSIE DOES LOVE ME.



BUT ROSIE—MY LOVE—I'VE BEEN PHONING YOU EVERY DAY AT LEAST TEN TIMES A DAY, BUT YOU WOULDN'T TALK TO ME. WHY ROSIE—HOW CAN YOU THINK THAT OF ME?



NO, MUM—HE AIN'T CALLED UP FOR FOUR HOURS—HE CALLED UP TWICE THIS MORNIN' AN' I DONE TOLD HIM YOU WUZ ANGRY.



SO HE HAS FORGOTTEN ME ALREADY—I'LL JUST CALL HIM UP AND TELL HIM JUST WHAT I THINK.



YOU ONLY CALLED ME UP TWICE TO-DAY—YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN ME AND, I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN.





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MY ADVENTURE AT CHISELHURST

(Continued from page 11.)

and you sometimes get entirely fantastic ideas. I was sitting looking at this brightly illuminated picture of Mrs. James. Well, for an incredibly short space of time the whole character of it seemed to change. Instead of an oil painting in rather vivid colours it suddenly looked like a photograph, or, to be strictly accurate, a photograph as reproduced in a newspaper. Try looking at one through a magnifying glass, and imagine it to be four feet by three, and you will get the same effect that I did. There was a name printed under this photograph and my eyes certainly read it, but before my mind could take it what it was the illusion was gone and I was wide awake again.

It was all over so quickly that I just said: "Um, that's funny," and didn't pay much attention to it.

When James came in after a lengthy good-bye on the telephone I didn't even tell him. He'd have only made some fatuous joke about the strength of his cocktails.

He was full of apologies about his wife not being able to get home and so forth, and he explained what had happened with yards of detail. I'd gathered most of it already, but I had to pretend to listen with interest so as to make him think I hadn't heard some of the other things that had been said. He then went up finally to dress and again left me alone with the picture, but although I tried from every angle, both with and without the lights, I couldn't manage to recapture the peculiar "half-tone" effect, neither was I able to remember the name which had appeared underneath. By the way, it is worth noting that if I'd decided to dress at Chiselhurst instead of at home, I probably shouldn't have been left alone with the picture at all and got the jimmies about it.

James came down in due course and we had a most elaborate dinner. He always did things very well, and there was no reason why he shouldn't. People with five thousand a year often do.

At the end of dinner we carried our coffee and old brandy into the lounge, and then he introduced me to his unspeakable wireless set. I hadn't spotted it earlier because it was housed in a tall-boy which had always been there.

Needless to say, the tall-boy was far and away the best thing about it. When he switched it on the volume of distorted noise was so appalling that I can't think why the ceiling didn't come down.

There was a long and terrible period during which we could converse only by means of signs, and then to my great relief one of his transformers caught fire and we had to put it out with a soda-water syphon.

By then it was getting on for eleven and I said it was time to go. That, of course, meant a final whisky, and he was just starting on his, which he'd mixed with milk, by the way, when he put it down and said: "My word! I shall hear about it if I don't take my aspirin," and he went upstairs to fetch some.

He was gone three or four minutes, and when he came down he said he'd had the devil's own hunt, as he couldn't find any of his own and he'd been obliged to bag his wife's last three. These he proceeded to take, and then I really had to go, as there was only just time to catch my train, and that was that.

Next morning, during breakfast, there was a ring at the bell, and they came and told me that Inspector Soames of Chiselhurst wanted to see me, so I went out and interviewed him.

He seemed quite a decent fellow, and he led off by inquiring how I was. I thanked him and said I was very well indeed. He next wanted to know if I'd slept well, and I told him that I had, but even then he wasn't happy. Was I sure I'd felt no discomfort of any kind during the night? I said: "None whatever, but why this sudden solicitude about my health?"

He then said: "Well, you see, sir, it's like this. Last night you dined with Mr. — (well, James) —. You left him round about 11 p.m., and he presumably went straight to bed. However, at three o'clock this morning, groans were heard coming from his room, and when the servants went in they found him lying half in and half out of bed, writhing with pain and partially unconscious. Doctors were immediately called in and they did all they could, but by six o'clock he was dead." This was a great shock to me.

I asked the inspector what James had died of, and he said: "Oh, probably some acute form of food poisoning," but it wouldn't be known for certain until after the post-mortem. In the meantime, would I mind telling him everything we had had to eat and drink the night before? I did. Actually it was only a check, because he'd already got it all down in his notebook. I dare say he'd been talking to the cook and the maids who'd waited on us. He even knew that I hadn't had any fish, whereas James had, but there was nothing wrong with that, as it had all been finished downstairs. I was able to be more helpful in the matter of drinks afterwards, and I didn't forget to mention the final whisky and milk and the three aspirins, all of which he carefully wrote down.

I next inquired after Mrs. James. It had apparently been rather distressing about her. They'd telephoned to Worthing as soon as they'd found how gravely ill James was, and she'd arrived home just as he was dying. No one had had the nous to be on the look-out for her at the front door, and she'd got right up into the room and soon how things were before they could stop her. She had then completely collapsed, which was only natural, and they'd had to carry her to her room and put her to bed. Things were so bad with her that there was talk of a nurse being sent for.

My inspector then went away, but he warned me that I should have to appear at the inquest, which would probably be three days later.

I turned up but wasn't called. They took only evidence of identification and the proceedings were adjourned for three weeks to await the result of the post-mortem.

I wrote to Mrs. James soon afterwards asking if there was anything I could do, but she sent back a rather vague note about being too ill to see anyone, so we didn't meet.

I had another interview with the police after that, but they didn't ask me any more questions about food, and when the adjourned inquest came on it was perfectly obvious why. The cause of James's death wasn't food poisoning at all. It was fifty grains of perchloride of mercury. Perchloride of mercury is also called corrosive sublimate (it's used in surgical dressings), and fifty grains taken internally is a pretty hopeless proposition.

The very eminent pathologist person in the witness-box said that the poison must have been administered not more than eight hours before death had taken place. This was allowing for the fact that milk, which would have a retarding influence, as James had died at six in the morning it meant that he must have taken his dose sometime after ten o'clock the previous night. As I had been the last person to see him alive, or at any rate, conscious, it made my evidence rather important, especially as it covered the first hour of the material eight.

When my turn came I told the court almost word for word what I'd told the inspector, right down to the three aspirins.

The coroner asked me a whole lot of questions about James's manner, and health, and I could only say that he had seemed normal, cheerful, and, bar his cold, healthy.

When they'd done with me, Mrs. James was called, and I was able to see her properly for the first time. She was even better looking than her portrait, and black suited her. One could tell that she had the sympathy of everyone. She was popular in the district, and the court was packed with her friends. The coroner treated her with the utmost consideration. She said that her relations with her husband had always been of the very best and there had never been the ghost of a disagreement. She also stated that as far as she knew he had no worries, either financial or otherwise, and that he could have had no possible reason for taking his life.

After that the coroner became even more considerate than ever. One could see what he was after: he clearly had the fact in mind that when a rich man dies in mysterious circumstances there are always plenty of people who seem to think that his widow ought to be hanged "on spec." So, although their evidence was hardly germane, witnesses were called who proved, in effect, that she had been at Worthing from lunch-time on the one day right up to four in the morning on the next, and there was no getting away from it. Even the mechanic from the Worthing garage was roped in (in his Sunday clothes). He described the trouble with her tyres and the discussion as to whether she could or could not have got home to Chiselhurst before dark.

There was a good deal more evidence of the same kind, and it all went to establish that, whatever else had happened, Mrs. James couldn't possibly have murdered her husband, and as it seemed unlikely that he had committed suicide the jury returned an open verdict.

Now what was I to do? On the face of it, and knowing what I did, it was my duty to get up and say something like this: "You'll pardon me, but that woman did murder her husband, and if you like, I'll tell you roughly how she waits till he has a cold coming on and then decides to pay one of her periodical visits to her mother at Worthing. She arranges to get hung up there for the night, but she telephones at dinner-time, and I suggest, makes him promise to take some aspirin and whisky before he goes to bed — perfectly normal remedy. She naturally takes good care before starting in the morning that there are only three tablets of aspirin that he can get at, and these are the ones. The bottle they have been in is certainly a danger if the police get hold of it, but they don't get hold of it because she arrives home in plenty of time to change it for another."

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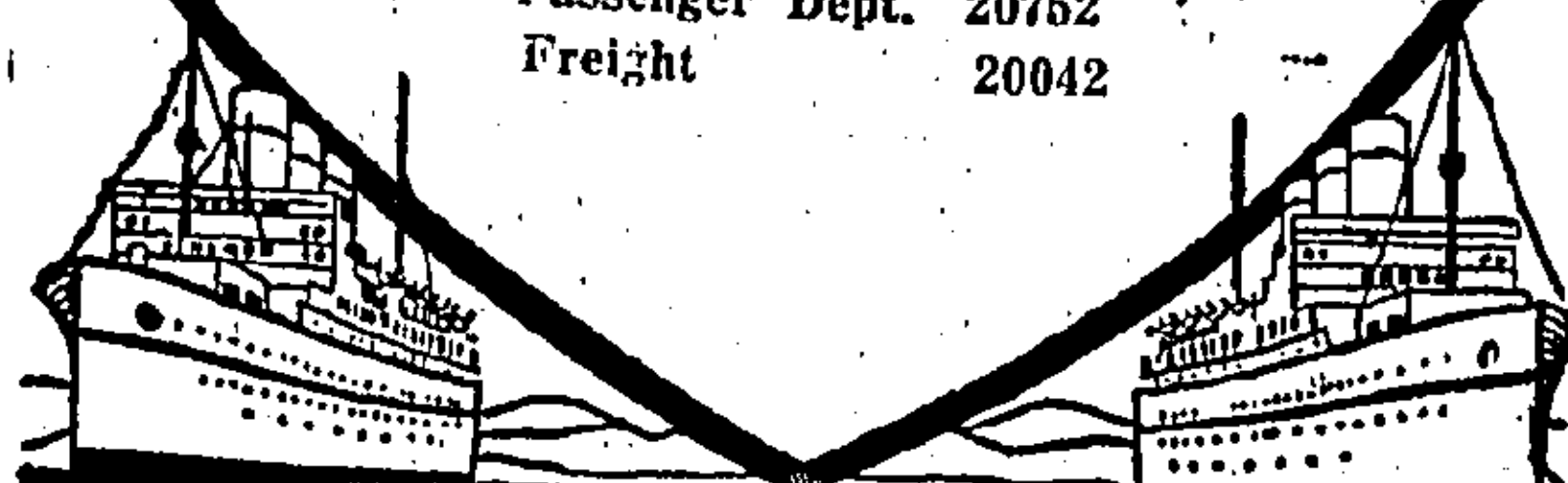
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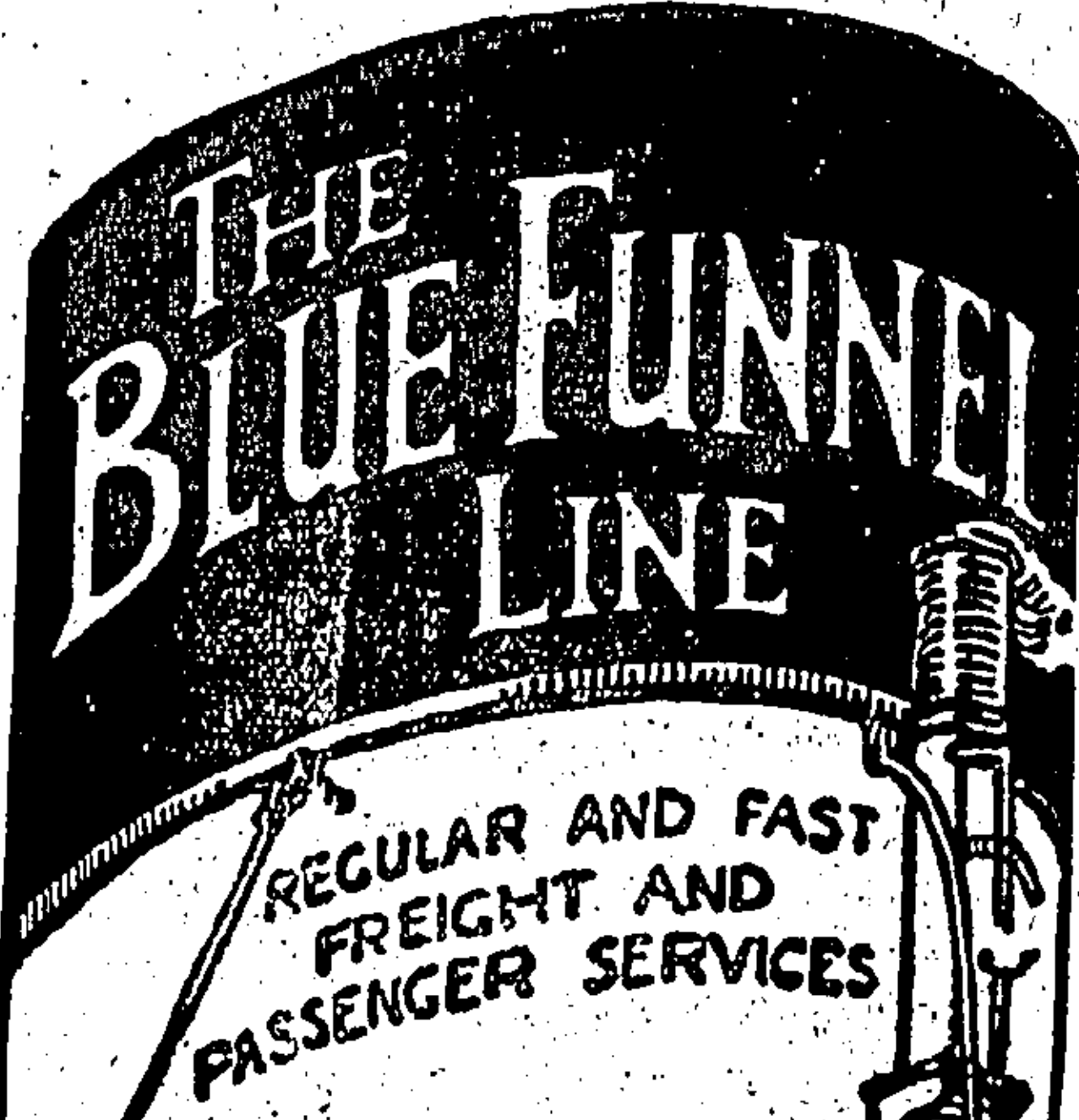
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NALDERA	16,000	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	6,800	25th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAIPUTANA	17,000	27th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CORFU	15,000	10th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*BANGALORE	6,500	25th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
COMORIN	15,000	24th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	17,000	10th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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CARTHAGE	14,000	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	18th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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RAIPUTANA	17,000	1st June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 7.

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Manila Emp. of Canada 5 p.m.

Straits and Calcutta Kutzang 5 p.m.

Letters 5 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Hoan Maru 9 a.m.

Swatow Hydrangea 3 p.m.

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Overland China Mail.

A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

Amid impressive surroundings, and in the presence of a distinguished and full congregation, the Right Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, was enthroned Bishop of Victoria in St. John's Cathedral on December 30. His Lordship later preached an inspiring sermon, which was interpreted in Chinese, and pronounced the Blessing. Seated in the front row of the Cathedral was His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., and Lady Peel, accompanied by Capt. R. F. Walter, A.D.C., and Mr. J. G. Pilcher, Private Secretary.

The enthronement is fully reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

After nearly four years of residence at Flagstaff House, in the office of General Officer Commanding the British Troops in China, Major-General James Walter Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., a popular officer, left the Colony for home on board the P. & O. s.s. Kaiser-I-Hind on December 31. The official farewell took place at Queen's Statue Pier, where His Excellency the G.O.C. met many friends. Captain R. F. Walter, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, was present, as was the new G.O.C., Major-General O. C. Borrett.

The departure is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

An appeal for the health of the young was made by Sir Shou-son Chow, who presided at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Children, on December 28. Sir Shou-son spoke of the extension of the work of the Society and dealt highly on the Welfare Centre, which was started only seven months ago.

On the motion of Sir William Shenton, the office of Director of the Society was created for Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg.

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MY ADVENTURE AT CHISELHURST.

(Continued from Page 12.)

"If things had gone entirely right for her, and I hadn't happened to be dining there that evening, no one would have known about James's dose of aspirin at all, but her technique as so sound that I'm able to watch him take it, and talk about it afterwards without it mattering. I don't suppose she liked it, but it didn't do her any appreciable harm. Then again, even if he forgets to take his tablets she runs no risk. She merely has to wait till he gets another cold. In fact, the whole thing is cast iron."

Now supposing, for the sake of argument, that I'd got up and been allowed to say all this, what would have happened?

I should have had to admit straight off that I couldn't produce a scrap of evidence to support any of it, at last not the kind of evidence that would wash with a jury.

There certainly was James's remark: "I shall hear about it if I don't take my aspirin." That satisfied me who he expected to hear about it from, but there was only my reward for it that he'd put it that way, and you know what lawyers are. They mightn't have believed me.

Then, again, the coroner was a doctor. He would have asked me how it was possible to fake perchloride of mercury to look like aspirin, and I should have had to agree that it wouldn't be at all easy. It happens to be a poison which the general public practically can't get, and even if they could, the tablets in which it is sold are carefully dyed blue. Besides which they aren't the right shape. If you walked into a chemist's and asked him to bleach some of them white and make them look like aspirin he might easily think it fishy, and I doubt whether you would set his mind at rest by saying that you only wanted them for a joke.

All of this I knew quite well, having taken the trouble to inquire, but there was another fact which I didn't get to know till afterwards which might have made a difference. It was rather strange. For a certain time during the war the French Army medical people had put up their perchloride of mercury in white tablets, not blue, and these did in fact closely resemble the present-day aspirin. Moreover, each tablet contained seventeen grains. Now three seventeens are fifty-one, or almost exactly what James was reckoned to have taken. But all this would have gone for precisely nothing (even if I'd known it and said it) unless any of these convenient tablets could be traced to Mrs. James, and they most definitely couldn't.

The police had searched the house as a matter of routine and analysed every bottle, whether empty or full. One might also safely conclude that they had made inquiries from all the chemists where the lady might have dealt. I know they went to mine.

Then there was another thing which made it difficult to accuse Mrs. James, and that was the absence of motive, because the obvious one, money, was practically ruled out. It transpired that she had twelve hundred a year of her own, and the average woman with as much as that isn't likely to marry and then murder some wretched man for the sake of another five thousand. She wouldn't take the trouble. In fact, what with one thing and another, my theory didn't stand a hope, so I thought I'd let it stew a little longer.

The lady left the court without a stain on her character and later on went to live in the Isle of Wight. For all I know she is still there, enjoying her twelve hundred plus five thousand a year, but whether she will go on doing it is quite another thing, because:

A short time ago I was just finishing a pipe before going to bed when suddenly, apropos: nothing, there came into my head the name I had seen under her picture at the instant it had looked like a photograph. It was a somewhat peculiar name, and not the one under which she had married James.

All the same, one doesn't imagine a name for no reason at all so I worked it out that at some time or other I must have actually seen a published photograph of Mrs. James, and that staring at the picture down at Chiselhurst had brought it back to me.

The following day I got my literary agent to send round to all the newspaper offices in Fleet-street to inquire whether a photograph of anyone of this name had appeared during the last few years. They all said "No."

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Mr. S. Koga's Fall From Bridge.

On arrival of the M.B.K. steamer Hiroshi Maru in harbour yesterday, Mr. S. Koga, Chief Officer, was taken off and removed to the Government Civil Hospital.
When the ship was one hour out of Hong Kong, prior to arrival, Mr. Koga accidentally fell from the bridge, sustaining injuries, which are considered to be of a serious nature.
The Hiroshi Maru of which Capt. Okada is master, left for Keelung yesterday.

ARMED ROBBERY SEQUEL.

The recent robbery at the Tai Yuen Furniture shop, 478 Queen's Road West, when a safe was rifled and \$650 stolen, had a sequel in the Central Police Court this morning, when before Mr. Schofield, two men, Wong Yu 27, unemployed, and Mak Kui, 30, a cook, were charged.
The first defendant was accused of the robbery, while the second man was charged with being an alleged accessory before the fact. Accused were remanded.

WEATHER FORECAST.

North winds, fresh, cloudy is the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory to-day.

ADMINISTRATION OF UNIVERSITY.

Nominations To Court.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Henry Valtorta and the Rt. Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, B.A., Bishop of Victoria, have been nominated as Members of the Court of the University of Hong Kong representing grant in aid schools for a period of three years.

The nominations of Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Mr. K. E. Greig, Mr. J. H. Seth, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., Mr. Chau Yue-ting, Mr. Li Yik-mui and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin as Members of the Court of the University of Hong Kong for a further period of three years have been gazetted.

SCOTTISH GERMAN EXCHANGER.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service).

Berlin.
Sir Daniel Stevenson, the Scottish industrialist and philanthropist, has given more than 300,000 marks (\$22,500) for the establishment of a "Sir Daniel Stevenson Foundation," to make possible the exchange of students from Edinburgh, Glasgow, St. Andrew's and Aberdeen universities with students from German universities.

President Von Hindenburg has expressed his gratitude in a letter to Sir Daniel, enclosing an autographed portrait.

CIRCULATION OF BANK NOTES.

Average Amount Totals \$153,611,605.

The average amount of bank notes in circulation of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., for the month ended December 31, is notified in the Government Gazette. The average amount for the month is \$153,611,605, and the specie in reserve totals \$121,650,000.
Additional securities of the three banks, totalling \$4,819,900 have been deposited with the Crown Agents.

SHIP'S PASSENGERS STRANDED.

Taken Off By Junks In Canton River.

A slight mishap, necessitating the conveyance of passengers to the shore by junks, occurred on Thursday morning, when the s.s. Tai Lee ran on a sand bank one hour after leaving Canton.

It was learned from a reliable source that the ship was in no danger but had to wait for a high tide to get her off.

When the s.s. Yuet On returned yesterday from Kongmoon enquiries were made and it was ascertained that the Tai Lee was still stranded.

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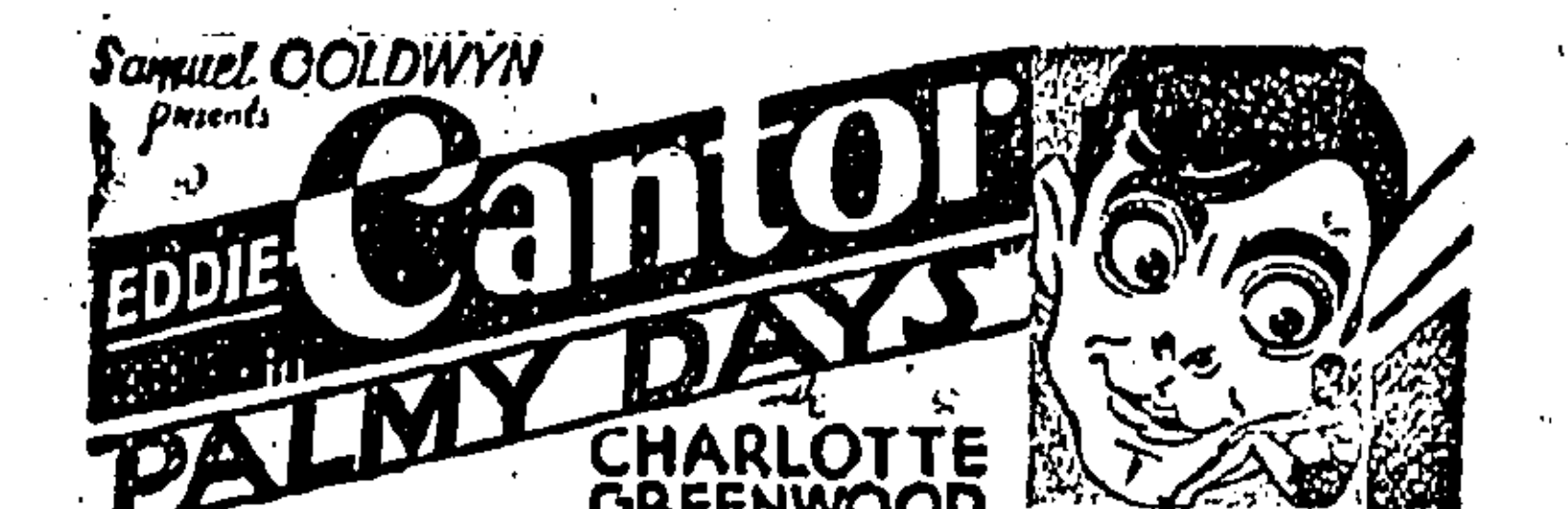
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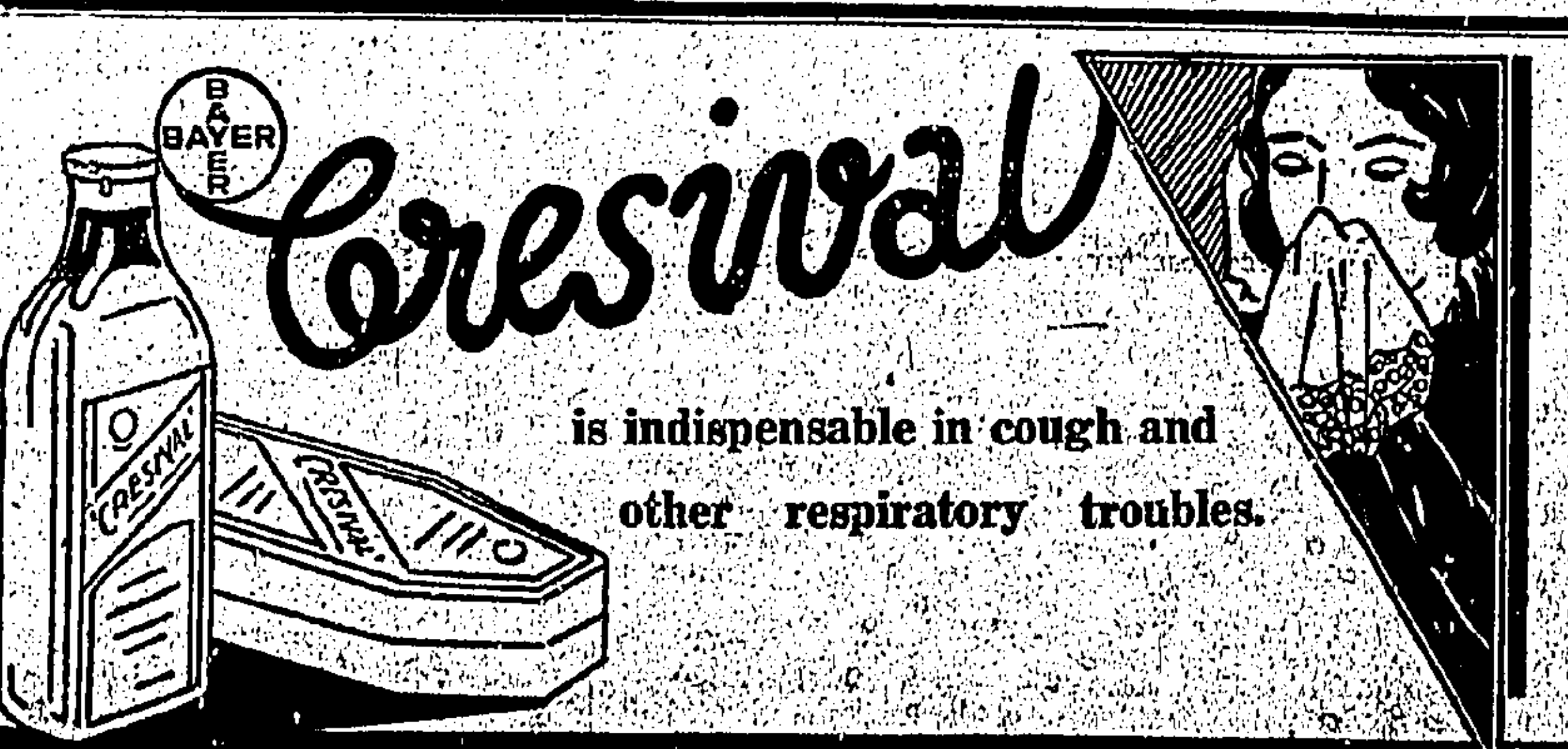


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